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Public Notices.

THEATRE ROYAL, DUBLIN.
Mr. HARRIS has much pleasure to announce that he has, in conjunction with Mr. WILLERT BEALE, made arrangements for a short Series of Italian Operas, commencing on MONDAY, SEPT. 10, 1860, supported by the following eminent Artistes:—

Madam Grisi,	Signor Mario,
Madame Viardot,	Signor Aujelo Luisa,
Mlle. Orvil	Signor Graziani,
Mlle. Sedlazek,	Signor Fallar,
Mlle. Ilia, and	Signor Kinni,
Madame Gassier (her first appearance since her return from America),	Signor Cleriei,
	Signor Forsi,
	and
	Signor Ciampi, Prima Basso
	Profondo, of her Majesty's Theatre, &c.

Soggeritore—Signor Operti,
The Operas will be produced with an increased Band and Chorus, under the direction of
Signor Vianesi.
Leader—Mr. Levy.
The repertoire will include "Lucrezia Borgia," "Il Trovatore" "Norma," "Maria," "La Favorita" "Rigoletto" "Il Don Gio vanni," "Macbeth," and Gluck's, celebrated "Orfeo and Euridice which has caused so much sensation in London and Paris during the past season.
Mr. HARRIS begs to announce that this will be the only Italian Opera Engagement of the Season.
The Box-office will be open on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st.
Town open at Half-past Seven—to commence at Eight o'clock.
Private Boxes, 4 Guineas; 3 Guineas; 2 Guineas. Dress Circle, 2s; Second Circle, 1s; Pit, 1s; Lower Gallery, 1s; Upper Gallery, 1s.
The Free List entirely suspended, the Press excepted.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE.
BENEFIT and last appearance of Herr NICOLO DEULIN.
Fifth appearance of Mr. HARRY WIDDICOMBE,
the celebrated Comedian.
On THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, AUG. 17,
Will be performed the grand Fairy Romance, with New Scenery, entitled
PETER WILKINS, OR THE FLYING INDIANS.

Peter Wilkins	Miss Annie Parker,
John Adams	Mr. H. Vivash.
Nicodemus Crowquill	Mr. S. Artaud.

To be followed by (commencing at a quarter to nine) the original and powerful Drama (in Three Acts), written by Mr. F. Phillips, Scandian, entitled a
BIRD IN THE HAND WORTH TWO IN THE BUSH.

Frederick Featherworthy	Mr. H. Webb.
Reginald Prodigal	Mr. George Vincent.
Mr. Captain Sharks	Mr. H. Widdicombe.

TIGHT-ROPE DANCING,
by the DEULIN FAMILY.
To conclude with the
TWO POLTS.

Peter Pell	Mr. H. Widdicombe.

Boxes, 2s.; Pit, 1s.; Lower Gal, 6d.; Up. do., 3d. Second Price at Nine o'clock—Boxes, 1s.; Pit, 6d. Lower Private Boxes, £1 1s.; Upper ditto, 12s. Second Price at Nine o'clock—Lower Private Boxes, 10s.; Upper ditto, 5s.; Pit, 3s.

ROYAL PORTOBELLO GARDENS.
THIS EVENING (FRIDAY), August 17th, Gates open at half-past Six. Promenade, performances of the Amusing Marionettes, the astounding
ROCKY MOUNTAIN WONDERS.
Mr. J. MacCabe, the Professor of Music, Mdlle. Matilda, Mdlle. the fascinating Mazeuse, and a grand display of Fireworks, under the direction of Mr. T. Kirby, 15, Lower Sackville-street.
Admission to the Grounds, 1s. "Reserved Seats in Concert Hall, 6d. extra.
WEDNESDAY, August 22nd, the performances will be of a highly cheering and attractive character, under distinguished patronage, for the benefit of Mr. T. Kirby, manager.
Tickets to be had at the Gardens, or at 15, Lower Sackville-street.
On this occasion, the pyrotechnic display will be on an unusually extensive and magnificent scale of splendour.

ROYAL PORTOBELLO GARDENS.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 21st.
GRAND JUVENILE DAY FETE, when, by kind permission of Col. Mylius, the Brass Band and Drums of the Royal Hibernian Military School will attend, in addition to the usual attractions.
Gates open at half-past Two. Admission 1s.
CONGREGATIONAL SINGING; PSALMODY IN PARTS; VOCAL MUSIC, ITS THEORY AND PRACTICE; PART-SINGING, &c.

KINGSTOWN CONCERT-ROOMS, SUSSEX-PLACE.
Mr. GASKIN'S New Series of Select Elementary Singing Classes—Ladies, THIS DAY (FRIDAY) at Half-past Two o'clock; Gentlemen, THIS EVENING, at a quarter past Eight o'clock.
New Editions of Mr. Gaskin's Educational Works on sale at all Booksellers.
N.B.—Mr. Gaskin's New Work on the History, Theory, and Practice of Vocal and right-singing, and the Management of the Voice, will be ready early in September.

JULLIEN FESTIVAL.
At the ROTUNDO, DUBLIN, on MONDAY EVENING, AUGUST 27th, and TUESDAY MORNING and EVENING, AUGUST 28th.
For the Benefit of
MADAME JULLIEN.
Under the Immediate Patronage of his Excellency the
LORD LIEUTENANT,
Who has graciously signified his intention of honouring the Concert on the 27th with his presence.
On which occasion the entire Orchestra will consist of the members of the late
MONSIEUR JULLIEN'S BAND,
Conducted by the
PRINCE GEORGE GALITZIN.
Vocalist—MISS POOLE.
The Programme will include M. Jullien's celebrated "Irish Quadrille," "Warsaw Varsovienne," "English Quadrilles," "Amitié Galop," and (for the first time) "Jullien's Last Waltz."
also,
THE CELEBRATED CAMPBELL'S MINSTRELS
will appear.
The entire Suite of Rooms will be thrown open.
Prices—Gallery and Front seats, 2s 6d; Promenade, 1s 6d; Evening Concert doors open at 7, to commence at 8. Morning Concert doors open at 1, to commence at 2.
Tickets to be had at Mack's Music Depot, Russell, Moses, Bray, Shade, Scales, and Wicksbard, Kingstown.

KINGSTOWN—ATHLETIC GAMES.
Mr. J. LAVERY returns his sincere thanks to the inhabitants of Kingstown for their kind patronage, and expresses his regret that the unpropitious state of the weather compelled a postponement of the games, and begs leave to state that they will positively take place on TUESDAY Next, August 21st, on which occasion, in addition to the standing games, to be still competed for, other prizes will also be given. Mr. Lavery expresses his regret that, from the unusual boisterousness of the morning, the military band did not attend, but pledges himself to have a splendid Band on the next occasion, full particulars of which will appear. The whole will honorably conclude with a display of Fireworks, and Terrific Ascent of Signor Duvalli on the Electric Wire. Signor Duvalli challenges any man breathing to walk a distance on the wire. Further particulars will shortly appear.
THANKS.
THE Trustees and Minister of St. John's Church, Monkstown, County Dublin, to the Venerable Archdeacon Gregg, for £200, towards the liquidation of the debt due on the Church, being part of a sum of money left by Henry Colles, Esq., deceased; also to the late Thomas Vance, Esq., of Paradise-row, Dublin. By means of this donation, and one of £150 by Lucius of the Parish of Monkstown, bequeathed by Henry Colles, Esq., the trustees have been enabled to discharge the entire debt on the Church.

BRANCH MEDICAL COUNCIL FOR IRELAND.
The ELECTION of a REGISTRAR and SECRETARY to the Branch Medical Council for Ireland, at the salary of £200 per annum, will take place on FRIDAY, the 24th instant, at 4 o'clock p.m. Applications to be addressed to Aquilla Smith, M.D., 121, Lower Baggot-street, Secretary *pro tem.*, on or before Wednesday, the 22nd instant.

ESTABLISHED BY HAYDEN AND PALMER
GENERAL MEDICAL PRACTICE.
DR. PALMER,
32, MERRION-SQUARE SOUTH,
(Corner of Holles-street.)
Physician and Surgeon of twenty-five years' practical experience, Member, Doctor and Licentiate of the Royal College of surgeons in Ireland, Associate of the King's College of London, late Lecturer of Anatomy, Physiology, Dissections, and Demonstrations at the Near-street School of Medicine.
Hours at Home—9 to 11 Morning, 4 Midday.
Evenings—Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 7 to 9 o'clock.
Consultations, by letter, 10s. Medicine included.

THE ADELAIDE HOSPITAL,
PETER-STREET, DUBLIN.
Presidents—THE EARL OF ELGIN.
The enlargement of the premises to accommodate 100 patients, and the outlay indispensable for their support, rendered special appeal to the Visitors' Committee on the part of the Committee of Management, in order to enable them to liquidate the present liabilities of the Hospital, which are considerable.
Since its opening in 1856, 1,736 patients have been admitted, of whom nearly 400 have been infants and children, for whom special wards are set apart.
There is a dispensary immediately connected with the Hospital, at which the Medical Officers attend from half-past nine to ten o'clock a.m. daily, and at which 21,525 patients have been prescribed for.
Contributions will be most thankfully received by any member of the Committee, and by Jones Raid, Esq., Secretary, at the Hospital.
N.B.—Donations of Flannel, either made up or otherwise, and grown articles of Clothing, will be most acceptable to patients during the Hospital, a matter to which the Committee beg particularly to direct.

A FATAL ACCIDENT IN BAGGOT-STREET.
An Appeal is made to the humane public on behalf of the sufferers by this unfortunate accident.
The facts are already known to the Public, showing how, almost in a moment, three poor fellows were hurried into eternity, leaving their wives and children in a desperate state. Two of the survivors are seriously injured as to preclude the possibility (even if the capacity of supporting themselves or their families for perhaps months to come.
Surely there is a case which should elicit the sympathies and consideration of the Christian and humane.
Rev. R. Wilson, 17, Lower Baggot-street; Mr. T. H. Carroll, 17, Lower Baggot-street; Mr. Thomas Martin, 3, Lower Baggot-street; Mr. Jerome Waters, 14, Lower Baggot-street, have consented to receive subscriptions in the papers, all contributions to this benevolent object, and a committee of management for distributing same.
Amounts received to 6th of August, £169 19s 6d. Contributions since handed in—
Per Miss Margaret Duffy :—Mrs M'Dermott, 21, Herbert-place £1; Mrs Finnimer, Anna Villa, £1; — Jager, Leap, 4, Upper Pembroke-street, £1; W Mackie, Esq, 66, Wellington-road, £1; Mrs Bradley, Hawthorn-square, 10s; Mrs Wright, 2, Hawthorn-square, 10s; Miss Baxter, 5s; Dr Fitzpatrick, 5s; a Lady, Kingstown, 5s; Miss Eustace, 5s; Mrs Mucy, 5s; W H, 5s; S C, 5s; Mrs Finnegan, 5s; Mr Hoey, 2s 6d; Mr A Barry, 2s 6d; Mrs A, 2s 6d; Mrs Hall, 2s 6d; Mrs Hall, 2s 6d; Mrs Hall, 2s 6d; A Friend, 2s 6d; A Friend, 2s 6d; Mr E Galway, 2s 6d; Mr E Galway, 2s 6d; Mr Robertson, 2s 6d; a Lady, 2s 6d; Miss Anne, 2s 6d; Miss Johnston, 2s 6d; Small sums, 2s 6d.
Per Mr Anthony Wilson—A Fellowman, Dublin postmark, £1; 11s 1d; Alexander Hallahan and Co, £1; Maurice H Collis, Esq, 2s 6d, Lower Baggot-street, 5s; C A L, 2s 6d; Mr Wilson, 2s 6d; James Chambers, Esq, 2s 6d; James Carmichael, Esq, 2s 6d; Mr Robert Goldsmith, Esq, 17, North Great George's-street, £1; Miss Goddard, 10s; Sir Knight of Malta, 10s; Waterloo-road, 10s; Miss Nicholson, 10s; A M, 5s; J F L, 5s; Peter's-place, 5s; Edward H Butler, Esq, 5s; Thomas Lodge, 2s.
Per Mr Anthony Wilson—Captain O'Keeffe, 10s; B Grattan Guinness, Esq, 10s; Mr Wall, 5s; Mrs Hamilton, Leap-terrace, 10s; O M J (postage stamps), 10s; Mrs Hamilton, Leap-terrace, 10s; Mrs R D Fox, Rathgar, 10s; Mrs Trail, Kilgobbin, 10s; Mrs Palmer, 1s; Mr James, Fairy, Cullenswood, 10s; Mr Thomas Hair (Knidler), Kevin-street, 5s; C, 2s 6d; Sir Henry Marsh, Bart, £5; Mr Ryan, Baggot-street, 5s; Mr Sullivan, Upper Baggot-street, 10s; a Lady, per Mrs Sinnott, 5s; Doctor Palmer, Merrion-square, 10s; Mr Mackey, 2s 6d; Mr Lee, 2s 6d; Mr Lee, 2s 6d; Mr Lee, 2s 6d; Mr Lee, 2s 6d; Mr T H Carroll—Thomas Franks, 2l, Lower Fitzwilliam-street, 10s; Mrs Smith, 10s; for Sufferers from Accident, per post, 5s; Mrs Lee, per Mr Hodgens, 2s 6d; A Subscriber, 2s 6d; Mrs Ashurst, per ditto, 2s 6d; Messrs Cannock, & White, & Co, 5l; Samuel Boyle, Abbey-street, 5l; Messrs Grant and Lenehan, Dame-street, £5; Mrs Alexander (Wales), £5; Mr. Wm. Hughes (Wales), £5; Mr. Wm. Hughes (Wales), £5; Mr. Wm. Hughes

IRISH BOG OAK ORNAMENTS.
Patronised by the Queen—SAMUELS, Working Jeweller and Manufacturer of Irish Ornaments, 29, NASSAU-STREET, Now in Connemara, where he will be enabled to execute, on the shortest notice, and designs in Bracelets, Brooches, &c. Ornaments of Celtic Character in Bog Oak. Jewellery carefully repaired on the premises. An assortment of Gold and Silver Watches, Gold Chains, Rings, Bracelets, &c., at remarkably low prices.

DIAMOND ORNAMENTS.
Mr. ACHESON begs leave to announce that he has returned from London with a large assortment of new and second-hand DIAMOND ORNAMENTS, which will be sold at moderate prices; DIAMOND ORNAMENTS, which will be sold at moderate prices; consist of Single-stone Necklaces, Bracelets, Brooches, Earrings, Rings, &c., &c., in great variety.
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They comprise every variety of Escapement in Gold, Silver, and Enamel, Hunting and Open Cases.
They have been manufactured expressly for our Establishment on the best cash terms, and we now offer them for sale at a very small profit on the first cost, and much under the price usually charged for inferior Watches.
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BEGS respectfully to inform Bankers, Railway Companies, Poor Law Unions, Merchants, Solicitors, Heads of Schools, Country Shopkeepers, and large Consumers and others, that he shall be happy to submit, free of any expense, estimates and samples for either large or small quantities of Stationery, Printing, Account Books, or any other article in the above line.

MONEY MARKET AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

(WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR THE IRISH TIMES.)

Dublin, Thursday Evening.

The political thundercloud continues to darken, and must eventuate shortly in war on a large scale. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that the Government Securities steadily decline, notwithstanding that England happily appears to be in a position in which she can again remain a spectator of the gigantic conflict of great European Powers, without loss of prestige.

The decline, to-day, both here and in London, was about three-eighths per cent. throughout, dealings being, as might be expected, very limited in extent. The very bad state of the weather contributed largely to the prevalent gloomy feeling.

In Joint-Stock Banks, Nationals opened at the previous rate, but subsequently again gave way one-half, there being buyers at the reduced price. Yesterday's advance in Hibernians was firmly sustained, that rate being offered. Royals were on sale at yesterday's improved price.

The upward movement in Atlantics continued, and an advance of three-eighths was fully established at the close. The paid-up shares realised last rate, and were largely dealt in, closing strongly. British and Irish and Dundalk Steam also produced last values, and appeared steady. Dublin and Glasgows re-advanced to one-eighth premium. The £100 City of Dublin Shares were inquired for.

There is a continued stagnation in the market for Mining Securities. A few Connorees changed hands at the previous price, at which Cyprus were still offering; and Wicklow Copper Shares again established an improvement of one-half; Mining Company of Ireland were on sale at £13.

Alliance Gas produced last rates; Patriotic Assurance were in demand at £6, sellers seeking an advance of one-eighth; and National Assurance were in request at the previous value.

There was very little doing in the Original Railway Shares, the transactions being confined to Midlands, which realised last price; and to Newry and Rostrevors, which were similarly negociated, but closed weakly. Great Southern Stock was not dealt in. Nominal rates were as follows:—Dublin and Belfasts, 4 to 4½; Dublin and Drogheda, £77 to £78; Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexfords, £34 to £5½; Great Southern Stock, £112½ to £112½; Midland Halves, £27 to £27½; and Waterfords and Limericks, £22 to £24. Cork and Passage were on sale at last price.

In Preference, the Cork and Bandon 5½ per Cents. were dealt in, *minus* the half year's dividend, the quotation being nearly equivalent to the previous value. Cork and Youghal 6 per Cents. were also appreciated at a discount of one quarter per Share of £10. Great Southern 4 per Cent. Stock, closed strongly at an improvement of one-half per Cent. Waterford and Limerick 6 per Cents. gave way fractionally, having been for some time offering on the market at the reduced rate.

Dundalk, Wicklow, and Wexford 6 per Cents., and Dundalk and Enniskillen 5 per Cent. (A) were in request at last rates, none of the latter being in the market. Other Preference Securities are unchanged in value.

DUBLIN STOCK AND SHARE LIST—AUGUST 16.

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.					
3 per Cent. Consols	..	..	..	..	92½
New 3 per Cent. Stock	..	..	..	..	92½
D itto for account, 12th September	..	..	..	..	92½
BANKS.					
National Bank	..	..	..	..	62½
STEAM.					
Atlantic (Limited)	..	..	..	..	6 6⅛
Ditto paid in full	..	..	..	..	6⅝
British and Irish	..	..	..	..	4⅞
Dundalk and Glasgow	..	..	..	..	50 xd
Dundalk (Limited)	..	..	..	..	10⅜
MINES.					
Connoree (Limited)	..	..	..	..	20s
Wicklow Copper (Limited)	..	..	..	..	6⅞
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Alliance and Consumers Gas	..	..	..	..	9⅞
RAILWAYS.					
Midland Great Western and Royal Canal	..	..	..	..	55½
Newry, Warrenpoint, and Rostrevor	..	..	..	..	6⅜
RAILWAY PREFERENCES					
Belfast and County Down, 5 per cent. perpetual, Class D					6⅜
Great Southern and Western, 4 per cent. per perpetual				..	95½
Londonderry and Enniskillen, 5 per cent perpetual Class B ..					9⅞

On Saturday the Banks will close at twelve o'clock, and the Stock Brokers' offices are closed at three o'clock.
The next account day for shares will be the 31st August. Names to be furnished on or before the 30th

PRICES OF IRISH STOCKS.

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs	Frid.	Sat.
3 per cent. Consols	92½	92⅝	92½	92⅝	92⅝	
Ditto for Account						
3 per cent. Reduced			92⅝	92⅝	92⅝	
New 3 per cent. Stock	92⅜	92⅜	92⅜	92⅜	92⅜	92⅜
Ditto for Account	92½	92⅝	92½	92⅝	92⅝	
Bank Stock						

(BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.)

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—AUGUST 16.

	OPENING PRICES.					
Consols Money	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
Account	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
New Threes	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
	NOON PRICES.					
Consols Money	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
Account	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
New Threes	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
	1 P.M. PRICES.					
Consols Money	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
Account	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
New Threes	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
	2-15 P.M. PRICES.					
Consols Money	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
Account	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
New Threes	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
	CLOSING PRICES.					
Consols Money	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
Account	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝
New Threes	..	..	..	..	..	92⅝

NOON SUMMARY.—Exchequer Bills 6 prem.; Eastern Counties 55⅜ 6; Leeds Northern, 55⅜; Great Trunks, 109; Great Western (Original), 56⅜; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 110⅜ 9; London and North Western, 102⅛; Midland Stock, 125 4½; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 97⅜; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 49⅜; Bank Stock, 222; Consolidated, 92⅝; Turkish (old), 76; Great Western, 72⅜; Mexican, 21⅜; North British, 65; York and North Midland, 85½; Great Northern 116⅜; Great Northern, A, 113; South Eastern, 89½; Account, 89⅜; Chester and Holyhead, 40; Great Western, 72⅜; London and South Western, 92. Consols dull at 92⅝, declined to 92 13-16, Shares also rated heavy, and prices generally declined a little, but now a shade firmer in tone, very little doing. Canadian generally steady. French steady.

FUNDS AND SHARES—Aug. 16.

Amberg, 6¼ 7; Caledonians, 93¾ 4; Chester and Holyhead, 39⅜ 8; Eastern Counties, 55½ 6; Edinburgh and Glasgow, 79¾ 80¼; Great Northern, 116 17; Great Northern A, 117 18; Great Western of Canada, 21¼; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 106¼; London and North Western, 100¾; London and South Western, 92 8; Leeds Northern, 53½ 4; Midland Stock, 124 to ¼; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 42¾ ¾; South Eastern, 89¾ ¼; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 97⅛; York and North Midland, 84¾. Consols have been dealt and inactive nearly all day, and closed 92⅝ to ¾, rather buyers at 92, 13-16. Shares opened heavily, and prices declined a little, but there has been very little doing; the dealers are engaged with the settlement. Market closed without any peculiar feature and dull.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

(TIMES CITY ARTICLE.)

Wednesday Evening.

The English funds have shown a considerable increase of heaviness to-day, which has extended to all other branches of business. The news that Naples has been declared in a state of Siege, coupled with the various reports regarding the intentions of Austria, and of the prospects of an early renewal of war between that country and Sardinia, were the main influences in operation. Only £40,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England. The Railway market opened firmly, but afterwards receded, partly in sympathy with consols, and partly from the increased supply of stock brought forward by the late rise. Berwick and Sheffield, however, were exceptionally firm. A meeting was held yesterday of the creditors of Mr. J. Baker, Tanner, of Heathfield, Sussex. The liabilities are estimated at £16,672; assets of £4,406. At a meeting of the Gresham House Estate Co. yesterday, a dividend was declared of 8 per cent.

(DAILY NEWS CITY ARTICLE.)

Wednesday Evening.

The threatening attitude assumed by Austria has confirmed the downward tendency of the English funds, consols having fallen ¼ per cent., closed at the lowest point of the day. It is alleged that Austria is emboldened by the understanding at which she has just arrived with Prussia, to anticipate the projected movement of Garibaldi against Venetia by taking more immediate action. The question as to the future policy of France consequently meets with more attention. Financial causes are also affecting the funds. The general money market is less easy, and the prospects of the Autumn are viewed with some misgivings. In most of the other departments of the stock exchange the tendency of prices was likewise downwards. In the British Railway Stocks a little more firmness was observable towards 4 o'clock, owing to reports that the traffic returns of several of the principal companies will be very encouraging. The Discount market has become rather light. The London and North Western Railway traffic returns show an increase of £8,407 this week.

CORN AVERAGES.—Wheat, 73,291 quarters at 59s 6d; Barley, 172 quarters at 34s; Oats, 2,668 quarters at 26s; Rye, 14 quarters at 44s 9d; Beans, 1,042 quarters at 42s 8d; Peas, 184 quarters at 41s.

METROPOLITAN CATTLE MARKET, AUGUST 16.—The supplies of stock were good. The primest mostly disposed of at about Monday's currency. Inferior beasts declined 2s per eight pounds. Beef, 3s 2d to 5s 4d; mutton, 3s 8d quite 2d per eight pounds. Beef, 3s 2d to 5s 4d; mutton, 3s 8d quite 2d per eight pounds. Beef, 3s 2d to 5s 4d; mutton, 3s 8d to 5s 8d; lamb, 5s 2d to 6s 6d; veal, 3s 1d to 5s 2d; pork, to 5s 8d; lamb, 5s 2d to 6s 6d; veal, 3s 1d to 5s 2d; pork, 4s to 5s per eight pounds, &c. Supply—Beasts, 1,562; sheep and lambs, 11,323; calves, 520; foreign, 210.

WOOL SALES, AUGUST 15.—About an average attendance of buyers. The whole of the wool offered was cleared without change in prices.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET, AUG. 15.—Sugar firm. Rice steady.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET, AUGUST 16.—18,000 bales cotton sold, including 7,000 bales on speculation and for export, with very full rates—½ to ¼ above Friday.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET, AUG. 16.—12,000 bales sold, including 4,000 on speculation and for export; very firm at ⅛ to ¼ above Friday.

BIRMINGHAM CORN MARKET, AUG. 16.—We have a limited supply of wheat, which sold slowly at late rates. Barley quite as dear. Oats 6d per quarter higher. Beans held for 1s more money. Peas held for 1s to 2s advance.

MANCHESTER CORN MARKET, AUGUST 16.—There was a good attendance at our market this morning. English wheat held for 1s to 2s per qr. more money, but was taken very slowly. French and American were in steady request, and fine sorts brought 2d per 70lbs. advance. Flour inquired for, and fresh-made English, and extra qualities of foreign, may be quoted 6d to 1s higher. Barrels were likewise 5d dearer. Oats were a turn in favour of sellers. Beans ruled firm. Indian corn advanced 6d per qr.

GLASGOW IRON REPORT, AUGUST 16.—No. 1, 50s 6d to 50 7d; mixed numbers, warrants, 51s 4d to 51s 6d; No. 3, 50s 3d to 50 6d. Market depressed.

CORK CORN MARKET, AUGUST 16.—Oats, new, 14s 6d to 14s 8d.

CORK BUTTER MARKET, AUGUST 16.—Firsts, 105s; seconds, 102s; thirds, 95s; fourths, 93s; fifths, 81s; sixths, 64s. 1,000 in market.

LONDON CORN EXCHANGE—WEDNESDAY.

The arrivals of English grain this week are limited to 830 quarters of wheat. The supplies of foreign have been to a fair extent. The attendance at to-day's market was small; and both English and foreign wheat was held for the extreme, or rather higher rates than were obtainable on Monday, and but little business required.

Foreign corn is quiet at Monday's prices.

ARRIVALS THIS WEEK.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.	Peas.	Flour.
English	830	—	—	—	—	610 sks
Scotch	—	—	—	—	—	—
Irish	—	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign	6,950	3,200	13,310	—	—	11,890 brls 4,400 sks

KINGSFORD AND LAY.

SMITHFIELD CATTLE MARKET—THURSDAY.

The supply of beasts larger than on this day week. There was a fair demand, both for home consumption and export, at a shade under former quotations. There was also a larger supply of sheep, with a good demand, at about former prices. The primest heifer and bullock beef, 4s per 8 per cwt., sinking offal; second-rate and coarse beef, 3s 10d to 4s per cwt., do.; prime best wedder mutton, 7¾d per lb., in sink; inferior and ewes, 7d per lb., do.; veal, 7¾d per lb., do.; lambs, 9½d to 10s each.

CAVANAGH & BULL, Salesmasters, Smithfield.

BUTTER CRANE, 18, THOMAS-STREET, AUGUST 16.—Firkin butter, first quality, 102s; second quality, 96s; third quality, 90s per cwt. Cool butter, 9½d to 1s per pound.—J. Macken, Inspector.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, DUBLIN.
DESPATCH OF FOREIGN MAILS.

Letters and newspapers may be posted at the G. P. O. for the following places, up to the subjoined dates:—

West Indies and Pacific [8], Spain and Portugal (Portland) [D]	.. Ten a.m., Aug. 17.
India (Bombay), via Marseilles	.. Six p.m., Aug. 17
America (New York) [Q]	.. Ten a.m., Aug. 19.
India (Calcutta), China, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, and Mauritius [8]	.. One p.m., Aug. 19.
America (New York) [8]	.. One p.m., Aug. 21.
Constantinople	.. Six p.m., Aug. 22.
West Coast of Africa [LL] Constantinople	Six p.m., Aug. 22.
America (Portland) [D]	Six p.m., Aug. 23.
America (Boston), and Newfoundland [Q]	Ten a.m., Aug. 24.
Spain and Portugal [8], India (Bombay) [8]	Ten a.m., Aug. 26.
India (Calcutta, China, Australia, New Zealand, and Mauritius, via Marseilles	.. Six p.m., Aug. 26.
America (New York) [8]	.. One p.m., Aug. 28.
Constantinople	.. Six p.m., Aug. 29.
America (Portland) [D]	.. Ten a.m., Aug. 31.

France, Italy, Switzerland, 1 p.m., and 8 p.m., daily. Denmark, Holland, Germany, 8 a.m., daily.

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Letters, &c., for America, if posted at the G.P.O.; are in time, up to 10 a.m. on Friday and Sunday, for the Mails via Derry and Queenstown.

The publication of the IRISH TIMES commenced yesterday morning at 4 o'clock a.m., and terminated at half-past 9. The publication of the Second Edition commenced at 12 o'clock noon, and the Third Edition at four o'clock p.m.

The circulation of the IRISH TIMES for the week ending Saturday, August 11th, amounted to 59,256, making a daily average of 9,876 copies.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS—FRIDAY, AUGUST 17.

IRISH INSTITUTION GALLERY, No. 81, SOUTH GREAT GEORGE'S-STREET.—Collection of Paintings by the Ancient Masters. Open on Mondays and Tuesdays to the public; reserved the other days for students and members and their friends.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

To-night—"Peter Wilkins, or the Flying Indians," "A Bird in the Hand is Worth Two in the Bush," and "Perfect Love Pots." To conclude with Tight-rope Dancing, by the Denlin Family.

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THE SMOKER'S DESIDERATUM; OR, KELLY'S MIXTURE. A Compound of the finest Tobaccoes prepared from an Eastern Receipt. It is mild and delicious in flavour, yields a delightful aroma, and is pronounced by some of the most fastidious to be the bean-blest of Tobacco, 8s. per lb.
In one pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound Canisters.
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J. J. KELLY, 2, LOWER RAGGOT-STREET,
Importer of Foreign Cigars.

"Pretty Tube of Magic Power,
Charmer of the Leisure Hour."
HAVE you a Briar Root Pipe? If not, why not? Can be had at Continental prices, at
EDWARD KEEVIL'S PIPE WAREHOUSE,
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GEORGE MACDONA and CO.,
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Are largely supplied in every leading fabric of the present season;
And have also in theirroom, and for sale by the piece, in every size and approved design in
LIGHT PALETOTS,
CAPES,
EXCURSION AND SUMMER
LOUNGE SUITS.

STRANGERS desirous of bringing home to their female friends presents of REAL LIMERICK GLOVES, in nutshells; beautiful BALBRIGGAN STOCKINGS, and CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS, as specimens of Irish manufacture, can be supplied in first-class articles, by
M'MAHON AND CO.,
4, DOLIER-STREET,
Near Carlisle Bridge.

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—*Thom's Almanack.*

Gentlemen before proceeding to their Shooting quarters for the season, are respectfully recommended to provide themselves with our
HIGHLAND KNICKERBOCKERS,
which, in addition to being made with the most recent improvements, will preserve their original dimensions to the last, as every garment will be *carefully shrunk* before it is made up.
Price from 16s to 25s.

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From SCOTCH ANGOLA,
TWO POUNDS FIFTEEN SHILLINGS.
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WE respectfully inform the Nobility and Gentry of Ireland that we have a large variety of the above useful Suits, ready for immediate wear, in every shade and colour. These Suits are made of the most fashionable materials, and re-cently selected by us in the London and Scotch markets, and are cut and made on the premises; so that gentlemen requiring first-class goods at a moderate price will please visit our establishment, where every attention is paid to the directions of our numerous Customers, and where punctuality is one of the leading characteristics of our House.
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12 and 13, LOWER SACKVILLE-STREET,
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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

Although we do not require Subscriptions to be paid in advance, yet when accounts are sent we shall feel greatly obliged by our Subscribers remitting the respective amounts. The extensive circulation of the IRISH TIMES *renders the cost of even a single application to every Subscriber very large; but when more than one application is rendered necessary the cost becomes a very serious item. The small amount of each individual Subscription might lead some to suppose that the matter was one of trifling importance; but when it is remembered that the Subscriptions alone of this journal amount to Several Thousand Pounds per annum, composed of innumerable small accounts, we feel sure that our kind supporters will all aid us by promptly attending to the first communications sent, and thus not rendering subsequent applications necessary, at very great loss to ourselves.*

The Irish Times.

DUBLIN, FRIDAY, AUGUST 17.

MR. CARDWELL'S statement last night, in proposing the enormous grant to the National Board of Education, is an additional proof of his subserviency to Ultramontanism. The Romish Prelates demanded more from a Protestant Government than the most Romish Government would concede. In this they acted by direct orders, from "the Cardinal who "manages Irish affairs" at Rome. They were utterly unsupported by the laity of their communion. In order to create an appearance of sympathy on the part of the laity with themselves, they mixed up the question of National Education with Tenant-right, Sympathy with the Pope, and half a dozen other questions. The peasant who shouted for the Pope or Tenant-right was asserted to have shouted also for the surrender of all education to the Romish Prelates. The laity, however, gave a passive resistance to the prelatic demands. They saw with surprise the rulers of their church calling upon the State to surrender into their hands the right of private judgment, and, under the name of liberty, demanding power to override parental authority. No Government, it was supposed, would favour the growth of a spiritual despotism over secular education, while professing to be popular; or the surrender of the rights of Roman Catholic subjects over the education of their children. The demands of the Ultramontane Prelates were ludicrously extravagant, and Mr. Cardwell on the moment answered them as they deserved. But all this while a negociation has been going on to ascertain, on the one side, how much the Government could be forced to concede, and, on the other, how little the Romish Prelates would deign to accept. The compact has at last been concluded. Ultramontanism, on the point of being driven from Italy, is progressing in Ireland. The National System of Education is to be made more than ever Romanist. Another paid Commissioner is to be added to the Board—of course a nominee of Paul Cullen, and, therefore, an Ultramontane. An "Irish tone" is to be given to the books used in the schools. No more Model Schools are to be erected, for in them there is provision made for instruction in the Scriptures; and a change is to be made in the Vested Schools, so as to allow greater liberty of action on the part of clerical patrons. Of these changes Mr. Cardwell announced only one that relating to the additional Commissioner, specifically last night. The rest are included under those "minor points in which the Government proposed "certain changes." When the money is in hand, and the new Commissioner firmly seated, the other alterations will be quietly made, and Paul Cullen will have gained all that he expected when he forwarded those arrogant demands, to which no Government but the Austrian could yield.

But, with all these concessions to Ultramontanism, there is not a particle of concession to the schools of that religion which the State still professes. The grant, this year, is larger by £21,000 than that of last year. This increase Mr. Cardwell states to be owing "to increased payment to the teachers, and "improvement in the standard of tuition." Thus, year after year, the grant is increased so as to enable the National Board to offer larger salaries, and thus secure the best teachers, while not a penny will be granted to the Church Schools, even as an augmentation of a good teacher's salary.

It was the policy of the Ultramontanes to appear discontented with the concessions of Government. Silent acquiescence after much clamour would have indicated complicity. Mr. Maguire asserted that "the schools were decidedly anti-Catholic," although four-fifths of the schools are under the direction of Roman Catholic patrons. He required the denominative system which prevails in England, instead of the mixed system; but he was altogether silent respecting the peculiar feature of the English system, which is merely to grant aid equal in amount to the local subscriptions. Mr. Maguire wants all the advantages of the denominational system, without the inconvenience of a contribution from the Romanists themselves. As the grant now exceeds £300,000, Mr. Maguire would require, in proportion to the number of Roman Catholic pupils, at least £250,000, to secure that they should be moulded completely after the Ultramontane model.

The "concessions" which Mr. Cardwell promised in his reply to the Primate, meant "concessions" to Romanism. He will not change the rigidity of the rules of the board to assist Churchmen in the education of the young. He adds £21,000 a year to an enormous revenue almost exclusively in the hands of the priests. He concedes another Roman Catholic Commissioner, but ask him for £10 to assist a poor school in the mountains of Donegal, under a Scriptural system, and he tells us the rules of the Board are fixed, unalterable, and incapable of change.

In 1797, a single bale of cotton was imported into Liverpool from America, and refused admittance by the officers, on the ground that cotton could not be grown in that country. Year by year the importation of cotton has increased, until the value of the raw material is some fifteen millions. Its manufacture sustains two millions of people, its influence has created a distinct party in the State, and its failure would certainly produce most fearful distress, and possibly revolution. The employment of cotton in many articles originally manufactured of flax has led to a comparative neglect of that which was once the staple crop of Ireland. Occasionally an impetus has been given to the cultivation of the flax plant by agricultural societies or individuals, but its culture is singularly fluctuating. Farmers assert that the flax plant exhausts the land, that it is difficult to save it, or that they have no market for it near at hand. But flax is not so exhaustive of the soil as oats, and yet a vast quantity of oats is grown in Ireland. Better systems of steeping, scutching, and cleansing have been introduced, which facilitate the saving of the crop; and with the extensive mills of the North, and railroads running through the country, a market ought readily to be found. Forty or fifty years since, every cottager grew a plot of flax for the use of his family and household. Irish "home-made" linen is still famous. When the house was supplied, and the store of linen made, the residue was sent to market, and found its way to the mills. The cheapness and universal use of cotton have relieved the farmer of the necessity of growing flax, and the decline of the linen manufacture for the foreign markets, owing to the energy and capital of the cotton manufacturers, have caused them to neglect the cultivation of flax, although, with proper care, it is one of the most remunerative crops. The result is, that great quantities of yarn are imported into Ireland from Flanders and Belgium. Our largest supply came from Russia. The manufacturers still complain of a dearth of the raw material, and a company has been actually formed to cultivate the flax plant in India for the use of the Irish linen mills.

In the year 1854, there were in Ireland under flax 151,403 statute acres. Next year the quantity dwindled down to less than two-thirds, or, 17,075 acres. In 1859 there was an increase of 45,000 acres over the extent under flax in the year preceding; but in the present year there is a falling-off of 8,042 acres. By far the greatest diminution has naturally taken place in the Northern counties, the chosen seat of the linen trade. The decrease in Ulster alone amounts to 7,258 acres, chiefly in the counties of Armagh, Cavan, Down, and Monaghan. The quantity of flax grown in Ulster is 123,081 acres. Munster produces but 1,677, Leinster 1,267, and Connaught 2,215 acres of flax. In the last three provinces the plant is grown mainly for household use. We are indebted for these statistics, in anticipation of the general abstracts, to Mr. Donnelly, the Registrar-General, who has, in fact, created the office which has proved already so important to Ireland—not least in the example it affords of what can be accomplished by a zealous staff under a competent head.

PAULUS CULLEN has addressed the Roman Catholics of Dublin in a Pastoral, some extracts from which, respecting Donnybrook Fair, will be found in our columns. As they who annually disturb the peace and decency of our city are the Prelate's co-religionists, we hope, for once, that his admonitions will have effect. The closing week of August has long been the period when every bad character and every degrading passion was let loose. Servants, apprentices, and tradesmen forsook their occupation, and spent their savings in orgies which paralysed their energies for months, and often injured them for life. When the Fair was most flourishing, there was even less peril than now. Then there were exhibitions of wild beasts, shows, and theatres which caused a pause from wickedness. Now there can be but the most sickly imitation of the old orgies in a close field, away from observation and restraint, the entrance to which lay through a public-house. It would argue a miserable state of the law if, after all the decisions of the magistrates, and when so much energy and money have been expended to suppress the nuisance, it should now be permitted to revive. The attention of the Government should be directed to this matter. The decency, order, and industry of our city must not be sacrificed to the passion for gain of a few individuals.

The *Times* on the Italian Crisis:—

The tide of revolution has hitherto swept over Italy in a clear and uninterrupted course. It has risen bank-high in Piedmont and overflowed the rest of the Peninsula. In the course of little more than a year we have seen Lombardy, Parma, Modena, Tuscany, and the Legations united to the kingdom of Piedmont; and now, beginning from the extreme south, Garibaldi is master of Sicily, and has probably executed by this time a descent upon the kingdom of Naples. Hitherto the success of the movement has met with no check. Everything has gone down before it, nor do we see any reason to suppose that this career of success has reached its ultimate limits. There is every reason to suppose that the conquest of Naples will be at least as easy as the conquest of Sicily; nay, if we take into consideration the prestige of a splendid and almost unexampled success, probably a great deal easier. There is good reason to expect dissaffection in the Neapolitan fleet and army, and an unwillingness to fight for a Sovereign whose hands are yet stained with innocent blood, cruelly and wantonly shed in the bombardment of Palermo, and who only gave in his adhesion to a Constitution when the choice lay between the Constitution and immediate ruin.

It may seem ungracious and unnecessary, in the midst of so many brilliant successes, to give utterance to a single word of warning or a single presage of coming evil. The tide of success is at its height; why should not a people, so long oppressed and trodden down, so long denied the veriest modicum of freedom, enjoy the glorious opportunity of the moment, and press upon the favour of the capricious divinity, who seems in her attachment to the revolutionary cause in Italy to have forgotten the tradition of her usual fickleness? But we must, however, confess that we cannot regard the existing state of things in Italy without alarm. Even were the designs of Garibaldi limited to the conquest and annexation of the kingdom of Naples, with a view of transferring Naples and Sicily to the crown of Sardinia, we should not regard such an occurrence without some degree of apprehension. The best that we can wish for Italy is that she should enjoy the blessings of a free Government and of representative institutions, something like those to which we so justly trace the unexampled and unbroken length of our own prosperity. But what prospect would there be of governing Italy by a single united Parliament, representing so many different feelings, interests, and principles, with so many factions to be made to hand, and so many new subjects of jealousy and discord? The King of Piedmont, it is well known, annexed Tuscany and the Legations contrary to the will of his great ally. Will that ally be ready once more to shed the blood of his subjects in order to protect Piedmont from the consequences of her own ambition? Will France suffer the territory of St. Peter, which may be said to be under her especial guardianship, to be snatched from the Pope by Piedmont, or the tottering throne of Naples to be restored and upheld by Austria?

Every one must answer these questions according to the extent of his knowledge and the degree of his penetration. We have thrown them out to show how little, even in the present apparently prosperous state of affairs, Italy is really mistress, of her own destiny, and how much that destiny depends on two absolute monarchs, one of whom has proved hitherto but a hollow friend, the other a persevering and remorseless enemy. We are well aware how vain it is in the very moment of success to preach moderation to a nation elated by unlooked-for good fortune, justly proud of its new position, and naturally inclined to over-estimate its own resources and to undervalue the power that still remains in the hands of a beaten enemy. In this instance, as in so many others in life, the half is more than the whole, and Italy would be far more able to retain the acquisitions she has made if she would stop short in mid career than she will be if she follow out to the utmost the scheme upon which violent and revolutionary counsels are pushing her. It seems clear that the period of temporising is rapidly passing away. Piedmont must either go forward to identify herself with Garibaldi and share his success or failure, as it may turn out, or she must relinquish the plan of openly assisting that which she professes to disapprove, and give the most unequivocal proofs of her willingness to remain content with the advantages she has obtained. France, also, must finally make up her mind to what extent she means to support the Pope, to remain in Rome, and to maintain Piedmont; and Austria must immediately decide at what point she will come into collision with the rising revolution, what attitude she will adopt towards Piedmont, and what position she will take up with regard to France. Affairs are far too complicated, passions far too much inflamed, and interests too deeply compromised to allow things to remain as they are; and there is but too much reason to fear that the knot which has been tied by one series of bloody battles may have to be disentangled by another.

PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

London, Wednesday.

Mr. George O'Malley Irwin fancies the House of Commons has not heard enough of the Galway contract and his grievances, and in a petition, with Sir Francis Baring as mouthpiece, prays further investigation. He is not satisfied with the account Mr. Roebuck gave of their non-acquaintance, previous to the trial, of Irwin v. Lever, and proposes to prove that he has had a long professional intimacy with the member for Sheffield. This guardian of the national purse and wonder of public virtue lights on felicitous times for detailing his grievances. The public should have been at a sad loss to discover its existence, but for the course he adopted before the Select Committee on Packet Contracts; and as the views of certain Scotch members have been freely expressed, it may be worth while to point out the plan of action adopted by this person, who, had he been an agent of Scotch interests, or acting under the advice of the Montreal Company, could hardly have selected a plan more likely to defeat the object dear to Ireland. The Select Committee on Packet Contracts having investigated the evidence laid before them, with reference to the Galway subsidy, by the Montreal Company and other disinterested parties, and having summoned before them for examination the Earl of Derby, the Earl of Eglinton, and other statesmen who might wish to give the counter explanation, decided by an announcement from the chair, to close the evidence and draw up the report. During almost the entire of these sittings Mr. O'Malley Irwin was present, and had abundant opportunities of detailing his grievances, and the public and representatives of the English and Irish press would have been delighted with the tale: however, the decision of the committee to draw up the report, as it excluded the public, led them to conclude that, with the appearance of the Blue Book, no more should be heard of Galway or its grant. Chance loungers on the lobby were surprised to find that, at the request, as it appeared, from a statement of the chairman, of Mr. Irwin, fresh evidence in reference to the Citie of the Tribes was about to be opened up, and another report would be necessary. Had not the representatives of the Irish press—I believe through the courtesy of Mr. Lever—been informed of this renewed investigation, the subsidy was lost to Galway; for the entire evidence of Mr. Irwin must have been reported in the official Blue Book to the House of Commons, without any counter statement of Mr. Denis Kirwan, Alderman Lambert, or Alderman Reynolds; dissociated the Royal Atlantic Mailpacket Company from the transactions alleged, an adverse report against the company would have been issued on the second occasion, and the fate of the Dover contracts was sufficient to show the decision of the committee must have acted as a coroner's inquest on the national project; fortunately the evidence reached Ireland in time, and the subsidy was saved.

The Irish Peers are determined to change considerably the machinery of the Wine Licences (Ireland) Bill, and the Earl of Derby let the Government plainly know that if they did not consent to this he should have the bill rejected on its second reading. The Government thought, by bringing forward the measure as one of supply, they could frighten their Lordships into submission, much less rejecting, a bill connected from which the taxation of the country. But several, in succession, plainly denounced the bill as likely to encourage the growth of Ribbon Societies inasmuch as the wine houses should be removed from magisterial control. The division on the subject cannot be taken as an indication of the feelings of their Lordships. The Government consented to allow the bill to be altered, a majority of those present considered it advisable to withhold their opinion until they had seen that it remained unaltered, and advised Lord Denman to withdraw his motion. The fact that Earl Granville has thus assented to the Lords changing a Money Bill, and the subsequent rejection that same evening of a measure for supply on Savings Banks, at the instigation of Lord Montcagle, thereby making more firmly fixed the recent precedent, is winding up the Bright and Fermoy party with a spirit of frenzy against the violators of the constitution; and invitations are sent to the Chancellor, urging him to resort to that extravagant action which he once promised.

procured, but by the time the body was recovered by means of drags life was quite extinct. An inquest will be held this day.

The Earl of Charlemont (now in his 85th year), and Sir Thomas Staples, Bart, Q.C. (also in his 85th year), are the only surviving members of the late Irish House of Lords and Commons.

Ten Sicilian Jesuits have lately arrived at the College of Rohan, owing to the proclamation issued by Garibaldi. Strange to say, the followers of Ignatius Loyola have sought refuge in this Protestant country, rather than in the dominions of that "model ruler," Pio Nono.

—From a Correspondent.

Special Religious Services.—On (Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the third of the special religious services, held weekly in the Metropolitan Hall for united Christian worship, the Rev. S. G. Hanson, Kingston, was the special preacher on the occasion. He took his text from the 5th chapter of the Epistle to the Ephesians, and 14th verse—"Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead." The subject of his discourse was God's message to the dead. He commenced by saying that history mentioned how a man who was employed to watch in the streets of an ancient city, after its inhabitants had all retired to rest, and when all was quiet within its walls, had to arouse its inhabitants at the dead of night, because it (the city) was in flames. The bells tolled out the alarm, and the sleeping inhabitants rushed out to escape a dreadful death; but it was found out that one man was still left in one of the houses, and who, if not aroused must fall a prey the flames. One man returned to the place where he was in, and, getting a ladder raised up to the window, woke up, when he saw the man lying fast asleep in bed. He tried to arouse him, by calling to him that the city was in flames, and that he would be lost if he did not get up. But, it was all in vain; the man still slept on. At last he called to him to awake if he wished to escape death, when the man opened his eyes, and raised his head, and looked at him, and then with a wild look, and a wave of his hand to the man to be gone, he laid his head down again on the pillow, to perish in the flames—a victim to his own obstinacy. History, however, informed them that that man had lost his reason, and was a maniac. Now, their souls, he said, or rather the souls of the unconverted, who had only three score years and ten given them of a fleeting, frail life in this world, with the bottomless pit, and its unquenchable fire beyond, *before them*, were in a somewhat similar condition to the sleeping inhabitants of the former mentioned city. Their immortal souls were in danger of the fire that is never quenched. Oh! if they set any value on the salvation of their immortal souls he would beseech them, in the language of the text, to awake and rouse from their state of death. They had, then, in the first passage of the text, God's message to the unconverted, who were spoken to as having their eyes shut to all the glories of the heavenly life, and shut to all nature's beauties smiling around them. The landscape with its many attractions—its streams running through it, and looking like streams of silver—its trees clad in the richest and loviest foliage, and the fruit trees laden with fruit, and of the richest tints, are all nothing to the eye that is not looking but closed in sleep. Just as the mind was dead to the beauties and glories of nature when in a state of sleep, so was the soul to the beauties and glories of the spiritual world that was dead or asleep in trespasses and sins. It could see no beauty in the Bible, nor any love in the scene of the Garden of Gethsemane, nor Lrightness in the Star of Bethlehem, nor splendour in the Sun of Righteousness, although His light was more splendid than that of any sun which ever shone upon this earth of ours. The natural man had no discernment in spiritual things. This was forcibly brought home to his own mind not long ago, in regard to a man living in his own neighbourhood, but who had no knowledge of spiritual things. He could see no beauty in the Sabbath; it was to him a day of weariness, difficult to get over; the house of prayer had no attractions for him either. One evening this same man came to him, when he was preparing for evening service, and told him that he did not see things as he used to do before. The Bible appeared different to him, so did the Sabbath and the place of worship. He told him that the change was neither in the Sabbath, the Bible, nor the house of God, but in himself and his own heart. The Spirit had enabled him to see spiritual things quite differently to what he had ever done before. The old things had passed away, and all had become new. This figure of the soul sleeping had been quoted in order to let them see that they might go on in their lost state, quite unconscious of their danger—just as a man might sleep undisturbed, though the murderer stood over his bed ready to strike. Adversity would not awake men to their lost state. Men might see their riches taking wings and flying away, and yet not become converted, or they might lose their children and friends by death, and be like the lonely oak, and yet not be aroused to a sense of their state. The spiritual sleep was different to the bodily one. The longer the body slept the easier it was to awake. But the longer the soul slept it was more difficult to arouse it. He next drew attention to the vision of the Prophet Ezekiel of the valley of death, and the dead bones, and described in very beautiful language how the bones were made again to live when the winds from the four quarters of the heavens blew over them, &c. After showing how the text applied to different states of spiritual death and unconsciousness, and following it through each with much ability, Mr. Hanson concluded by showing how dead souls which were in the valley had light, as He promised in the text. The service was concluded with singing and prayer, a little after half-past nine o'clock.

Harvest Prospects in the King's County.—Though the potato crop in rank land showed early symptoms of disease, yet on the whole we may look forward with confidence to an abundant crop. The wheat and oat crops promise well, the former has this year decreased in the quantity sown, but improved in quality; the latter is still extensively cultivated, but in some districts it is short and thin. Farmers have paid more attention to the cultivation of green crops, particularly mangel, as they saw the benefit it was to their cattle last winter and spring, when hay was so very dear. Upland meadows are in greater demand than moor and callow, as the continual rain this season improved the former, whereas it materially injured the grass on low lands.

Bills and Notes.—Father Daly's meeting on Monday was attended by a large concourse of people from Scotland. But it was remarked there was no Galway shareholder present but himself. He censured the Lord Mayor of Dublin for having been paid his travelling expenses of £15. We do not see any cause for censure in the matter. The men who went to London on the public concerns did not go from mere motives of pure patriotism. They were paid as men of business after having done their work. But there is a proverb about glass houses and throwing stones. Father Daly sent in his little bill to the Harbour Commissioners for—say £200—about £128, being his disbursements in Dublin and London.—*Galway Vindicator.*

The New Mail Service.—We have just been informed that the Postmaster-General has fixed the sailings for the new mail service between Galway, New York, and Boston, as follows:—From Galway—Connaught, for New York, August 28th. Prince Albert, for Boston, September 11th; Leinster, for New York, September 25th. Parana, for Boston, October 9th.—*Galway Press.*

The Weather and the Harvest.—The day has been rather showery, after variable weather previously, and seems rather an unpropitious "Lady day in harvest." Reaping has already commenced in the neighbourhood of Cork, but not by any means to a large extent, as the ripening of the grain is very late. The produce, however, is good, and, should the weather prove propitious, the abundance will more than make up for the lateness of the harvest. As regards the potato crop, better hopes are beginning to be entertained, as a more promising appearance is being offered by the fields. The hay crop has been very prolific, especially in uplands.—*Cork Examiner.*

Destruction of Glanmire Woollen Factory.—The woollen factory of Mr. Alexander Nicholls, situated at Sallybrook, near Glanmire, was completely destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning. The manner in which the fire originated appears to be this:—There was a large kiln on the concern, in which was dried wool; the premises came into the hands of Mr. Nicholls; and he, not conceiving, in consequence, that he had a right to remove it, allowed it to remain, and used it for drying wool, for which he found it useful. On Monday some wool was dried by it, and when the establishment was locked up in the evening, everything was considered to be right as usual. Between five and six o'clock on Wednesday morning, Mr. Nicholls went, according to custom, to open the doors for the workpeople, and as he approached the building, he observed the air to be very dense, and remarked to a man who accompanied him that the morning was rather foggy. On looking towards the factory, however, immediately after, he observed fire issuing from the roof, directly over the kiln. He ran, without delay, to the houses of the workpeople, and knocked them up, and they hastened with all speed to the scene of the fire, but the desperate efforts which they made were of no avail, as the fire had already made a good deal of progress, and the dry and combustible nature of everything about the building, together with the oil used for the machinery, afforded such ready food to the flames as to render it impossible to struggle against them. Mr. Nicholls himself, who saw the whole fruits of a long life of industry being destroyed, made almost frantic efforts, and was drawn by his workmen several times out of positions of the greatest danger into which he had rushed; but the building and all it contained, including machinery, raw and manufactured goods, &c., were destroyed, the amount of property saved being very trifling. The house, spinning machines, and all the other machinery, which were very valuable, were destroyed. About fifty people had been employed in the manufactory, on whose earnings about 200 human beings depended, and these are, by this sad occurrence, thrown out of work.—*Cork paper.*

Steamers in Ireland.—There are now two steamers plying on Lough Corrib, while there is none on the Middle or Upper Shannon, with a navigation of 170 miles; one on Lough Erne, which extends 45 miles, from Belleek to Belturbet. When there is so much water free of tolls and dues, it is strange that there are no steamers. The number of passengers carried on the Rhine between Cologne and Mayence, in 1828, was only 18,000, which had increased in 1851 to 80,000. This should excite the inhabitants of Limerick and Enniskillen to place steamers on their rivers and lakes.

A Regatta Row.—About ten o'clock on Tuesday night a misunderstanding occurred at the Glenbrook Yacht Club, in consequence of some observations made as to the cause of the great race of the day having been gained by strangers.

"So high at last the contest rose,
From words it came to furious blows."

Glasses and decanters were flung and fists used with great liberality. Several of the persons present joined issue to remember, and some of the actors will have reason to remember the occurrence for a long time.—*Cork Herald.*

A Nursery Thought.—Do you ever think how much work a little child does in a day? How, from sunrise to sunset, the little feet patter round to us, so aimlessly. Climbing up here, kneeling down there, running to another place, but never still. Twisting and turning, and rolling and reaching, and doubling, as if testing every bone and muscle for their future uses. It is very curious to watch it. One who does so may well understand the deep breathing of the rosy little sleeper, as with one arm tossed over its curly head, it prepares for the next day's gymnastics. Tireless through the day, till that time comes, as the maternal love which so patiently accommodates itself, hour after hour, to its thousand wants and caprices, real or fancied. A busy creature is a little child. To be looked upon with awe as well as delight, as its clear eyes look trustingly into faces that to God and man have essayed to wear a mask. As it sits down in its little chair to ponder precociously over the white lie, you thought it "funny" 40 tell it. As, rising and leaning on your knee, it says thoughtfully, in a tone which should provoke a tear, not a smile—"I don't believe it." A lovely and yet a fearful thing is that little child.

Death of a Young Lady from Eating Lobster and Ices.—A painful feeling has been excited in the neighbourhood of Wolverhampton and Tettenhall, by the decease, at the early age of 28, of Miss Georgina Cope, second daughter of George Cope, Esq., of Compton, which took place, after a few hours' illness, at her father's residence, on Wednesday sen. The deceased was present at a private party in the suburbs of Wolverhampton on the previous evening, and partook of lobster and ices, which, it is believed, acted injuriously on a disordered stomach, and led on the following morning to a series of attacks of epilepsy, which terminated in apoplexy and death. Mr. Newenham, surgeon, of this town, was in early attendance, and all that medical skill and science could devise was brought to bear upon the melancholy case, but unhappily without effect. The premature death of the deceased, who was much respected for her great amiability of disposition, will be deeply deplored by a large circle of friends.—*Wolverhampton Chronicle.*

The Church Missionary Society.—The committee of the Church Missionary Society have accepted, with a view to his receiving ordination in the course of the autumn, for the work of a missionary in North India, Mr. Edward Lavallin Puxley, who, after a residence of two years at Brasenose College, Oxford, joined the British army as a subaltern in the 4th Light Dragoons. The Rev. John Murdock Brown, B.A., of St. Edmund's Hall, Oxford, curate of St. Saviour's Church, York, and the Rev. T. K. Weatherhead, B.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, curate of St. Peter's Church, Southwark, are about proceeding to Southern India as missionaries in connection with the society.

Light Clothing in Warm Climates.—The late Col. Abraham Taylor, of the 9th Regiment of Infantry, in the last Affghan campaign, at Tazeen, led his regiment against the enemy in their shirts and trousers, and the men, when they came back, said that they had never had such a comfortable day's fighting.

Natural Gas.—A curious phenomenon has for the last few weeks attracted the attention of the inhabitants near Liege. On the road from that place to Ongree, on a property called the Belvedere, a stream of gas has risen in the middle of a potato field, and having been set fire to, it has kept burning in a steady flame, about three feet high, for the above-mentioned period. The gas proceeds from a vein of coal which exists under the field.

The Baden Conference—Strange Revelations.—The secrets of Plombieres and Verona have transpired and I am in a position to offer you some authentic details of the projects broached at Baden. The conference was insisted upon for the purpose of bringing that mesmeric influence on which Louis Napoleon prides himself to bear upon the Prince Regent, and thus to extort his assent to a more splendid offer than Prussian ambition ever dreamed of. The proposal dates from the late Baron de Budburg's journey to Paris, and it was made in the joint names of Prussia and France. In turning a deaf ear to so magnificent an offer, the Prince proved himself either a hero or a fool, according as we estimate political rectitude to be a positive or a negative quantity. To Prussia was offered the whole of Germany, from the frontiers of Austria and Switzerland to the extremity of Jutland, on the simple condition of aiding Russia in the East, and of ceding the left bank of the Rhine to France.—Baden Correspondent of the *London Review.*

The Great Salt Lake.—The waters of this lake leave traces of salt all over the soil. No fish can live in them; and fresh meat steeped in them for twelve hours requires no other conserving preparation. To the east of the lake lies an extensive plain, covered in part with artemia, mire, or salt. From its centre rise numerous mountains, like islands planted in a sea of saltpetre. Beyond this point commences the desert of the Seventy Miles. The malediction of heaven seems to weigh heavily on the solitude, which reminds one of the desolate shores of the Dead Sea, in the land of Sodom and Gomorrah. Beyond to the east were inaccessible mountain ridges, and blood-coloured rocks dotted with green spots; on their flank undulated dark clouds; whilst thick vapours moved above their summits, like the smoke of a volcano upon an azure sky. Light mists produced at twilight hovered amid its vague glimmer, and danced over the waters, looking like crape tinged with the most lively pink; this crape spread over the horizon a transparent veil that shed upon nature the charm of an island light, which, as it gradually rose to the summit of the mountains, assumed a more sombre hue, an indescribable, dismal appearance, that filled the soul with sadness and the eye with tears. This immense valley, of a lugubrious and funereal aspect, recals to mind that of Jehoshophat, the valley of graves. An imposing silence continually reigns around this described lake, which might well be called the "Lake of Death." On its sterile strand, on the porphyry of its banks, you never hear the patter of the rain, the whistle of the wind, the leaves falling from the trees, the chirp of the birds, nor the swallow's rapid flight through the air. All is calm and gloomy like the vaults of a gigantic sepulchre. One would say that God, in the day of wrath, had cursed these solitudes on account of the crimes of the inhabitants, whose ashes lay mouldering for many centuries beneath the sands of the deserts.—*Seven Years' Residence in the Great Deserts of North America.*

Fishing Tours in Canada.—On the north shore the fishing is capital. His Excellency Sir Edmund Head returned the other day from a short excursion with two hundred salmon. A clever book on Canadian sport, published anonymously by Longman, and edited by Sir James Alexander, places the salmon fishing of the Lower St. Lawrence among the best, if not the best in the world. There are some thirty fine streams, tributaries of the St. Lawrence, on the north side between Quebec and the Gulf, all teeming with salmon, and not more than six of these have been fished at all. The Saguenay is the only one to which a steamer plies, and, consequently, it has received more than its fair share of attention, but its yield has continued as generous as ever. Perhaps some of the gentlemen who, it is reported, will follow the Prince with their yachts may be inclined to take a cast in these virgin waters. As a general rule, there are few Canadians with sufficient time and means to allow of their pursuit of this favourite sport so far from their homes; but English gentlemen who have both might as well spend a few weeks here as in Norway, and they are not likely to be disappointed.—*Canadian News.*

French Academy of Sciences.—Perhaps the most singular paper presented at the last sitting was one from M. Bianchi, who observed the total eclipse of the sun on the 18th ult., at Vittoria, in Spain, and who announces the astounding fact, that the same protuberances which had appeared during the eclipse of 1842 had been seen by him this time, occupying the same place and having the same form; and he confirms this statement by sending the photographs of the drawings made on the spot. He moreover states, that he saw Baily's beads, which were also seen by the English observers at Reynoss, but which M. Leverrier has not mentioned, and Father Secchi explicitly denies having seen. On the latter subject M. Lespiault, who has also sent in a communication to the academy on his observations taken at Bivirieca, in Old Castile, is equally positive. Baily's beads were not remarked by him. His chief object, however, was to measure the protuberances and the corona. The only peculiarity in his description of the latter is, that he describes certain luminous streaks not proceeding from the centre, but, on the contrary, intersecting the other rays in the vicinity of the zenithal point; also, three large luminous sheaves close together on the lower part of the western side on the disk, tapering out from the corona to the length of about two radii beyond—a description which agrees with Mr. Thompson's diagrams published in the *Illustrated London News*, supposing the figure to have been inverted by the telescope. He mentions four principal protuberances, and one of M. Leverrier's red clouds. In addition to these papers, a communication on the same subject was read by M. Prazmowski, who also had selected Bivieseca for his station; his purpose being to make experiments of polarisation on the light of the corona and protuberances. The results he has arrived at are, that the light of the corona, having been polarised, is reflected light, and is derived from the sun but that the protuberances do not emit polarised light, and are therefore so far alike to our clouds; but M. Prazmowski at the same time starts the singular question, whether these solar clouds may not be composed of liquid, or even solid matter? the high temperature of the sun at all events leading to the supposition that they must be composed of very refractory substances. —*Galignani.*

The Camp Life of the Prince Imperial.—A letter from the camp at Chalons, of the 13th, says:—"The weather is so bad that manœuvres are not possible; but some experiments with rockets of long and short range have been made before the Emperor, and they, on the whole, succeeded. After dinner yesterday the Emperor took the young Prince to see a balloon with which Godard made several experiments. The spectacle appeared to interest greatly his Imperial Highness. I can give you some details of the fire in the Emperor's quarters—an accident which, no doubt, rumour will exaggerate. The fire commenced in the pavilion, which, on one side, touches the residence of the Emperor, and, on the other, that of the Prince Imperial. The room in which the conflagration took place was occupied by the women in the service of the Prince, and was occasioned by a flue being too near some woodwork. At the first cries of alarm the Emperor hastened to the Prince's room and carried him to his own apartment, his Imperial Highness not being even awakened. The fire was happily extinguished in time to prevent it from reaching the adjacent constructions, which are in wood. The Empress at once distributed recompenses to the men who exerted themselves in putting out the flames. Part of the wardrobe of the Prince was destroyed, and this morning he had only one pair of bottines left. The gouvernante and the female servants have lost the greater part of their clothing. The prolongation of the stay of the Grand Duke of Baden has prevented the Emperor's departure for Plombieres, as he had intended."

Jersey Justice.—The criminal law of the island appears to be most strangely administered. Last summer (1859) a girl found guilty of infanticide was bailed out for £10. A year or two before a man who shot his sister, and was tried for manslaughter, got off scot-free among the cheers of his party. More lately, two drunkards quarrelled in a gig, and one tried to seize the gun of the other, the other in the scramble shot him and wounded him; the wounded man got well, but the aggressor was sentenced to seven years' transportation, and his property was confiscated to the lord of the manor, thus punishing his innocent family by a barbarous feudal law. Some time ago a poor little French boy was killed by a blow from a Jersey butcher-boy, whom the Jersey jury entirely acquitted. No French or English resident is said to have much chance with an islander in the civil courts, and on an occasion lately, when by some accident or mistake, justice was done, the Jerseyman was heard to exclaim as he went out, "What a shame it is that foreigners should be allowed to beat us in our own courts."—*Leeds Times and Week.*

Presents for the Prince of Wales.—A Canada paper says:—"Our friend Robinson, the scissors-grinder, has prepared a rustic-chair for presentation; and we venture to predict that his Royal Highness will not see anything in Canada with which he will be more astonished than he will be with this same chair. It is ornamented with snakes and serpents, as well as woodcuts of Lord Palmerston and Lord John Russell, who is supposed to be waiting for an audience with the Prince. Mr. Robinson has also made two enormous walking-sticks for his Royal Highness, one of which is painted black, and is intended to be used at funerals only."

Tricentenary of the Scottish Reformation.—A series of meetings in commemoration of the tricentenary of the Scottish Reformation commenced on Tuesday, in the Free Church Assembly Hall, Glasgow. The hall was crowded to excess, and many had to leave without obtaining admittance. The proceedings were opened by a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Guthrie. The rev. doctor chose for his text—John viii. 32—"The truth shall make you free." The discourse was very eloquent, and concluded as follows:—"We have in this city monuments to men of literature, monuments to men of science, but we have not a monument to the biggest man that ever set his broad foot in Edinburgh—he meant John Knox. Why, they didn't know where he was buried. When he was asked where John Knox was buried, he said, 'there' (pointing to his breast), and in every Scottish breast. Not in the breast of a Free Churchman, or Established Churchman, or Episcopalian, or Independent, but in every one of them. Let us, then, before you leave this city, take steps to raise a monument to that man, as representing those men who had made us an example of that great truth—" He is a free man whom the truth had made free." The Rev. Dr. Cunningham moved the appointment of a business committee, consisting of about 80 gentlemen—Dr. Begg, convener. The meeting then adjourned till the evening at seven o'clock.

Jullien Festival, Surrey Gardens.—We are very glad to perceive that the English public have not yet forgotten the man who, perhaps more than any other, has within the last twenty years contributed to their amusement, for we would fain believe that the remarkable excellence of the entertainment was not the only reason that actuated the enormous crowds (upwards of 15,000) that last night poured into the Surrey Gardens during three hours in one continuous stream, but that a wish to benefit the widow of the late M. Jullien, for whose advantage the entertainment was given, had some influence in directing their steps. The concert commenced at half-past six, and long before that early hour the Music Hall was not only filled in every corner, but the doorways were completely blocked up by numbers of anxious listeners. Amongst other pieces, a Varsovienne on a motive from "Pietro il Grande," by the late composer, and his last work, an effective and charming composition, which is likely to become as popular as any of his previous works. The other two pieces, Prince Galitzin's "Herzen Waltz," and the so-called "Surprise Polka," were conducted by the noble composer himself, who was received with immense applause, and both of his compositions produced as much effect as when they were played at his own concert, the polka being enthusiastically encored.—*Daily Telegraph* (*Aug.* 1).

"Pugilistic" Encounters in the Right Direction.—Recently we had an exhibition of pugilistic ability and the contentions of science, but with entire freedom from attrition. Far more worthy are those contests which take place in the ploughing and harvest field, and equally useful in developing muscular power. We have lately heard accounts of trials of skill which do not tend to the disfigurement of the human countenance, and the encouragement of a degraded taste. In one instance two farmers fought a severe battle in making within a given time the largest number of horse-shoes of the best description. The walls and sheds were enclosed within a certain space, and a large crowd assembled to witness the contest with the most intense interest. Formerly, within the recollection of many, there was a good deal of this kind of competition amongst masons, bricklayers, and others, not without much benefit.—*Builder.*

Travel.—What a glad awakening from self, what a sparkling and fresh draught from a new source of being, what a wheel within a wheel, animating, impelling, arousing all the rest of the animal machine, is the first excitement of travel? The first free escape from the dull round of home and home life of cities and social vices, the jaded pleasure and the more jaded pain, the monotonous round of sordid objects and dull desires, the eternal chain that binds us to things and beings—mockeries of ourselves, alike, but oh, how different! The shock that brings us nearer to men only to make us strive against them, and learn, from the harsh contest of veiled deceit and open force, that the more we share the aims of others, the more deeply and basely roused we grow to the interests of self.

The Pope and the French Press.—The Pope having, in his letter to the Patriarch of Antioch and the Maronite bishops, announced that he was prevented from sending more pecuniary assistance by the circumstance of his being himself placed in considerable embarrassment, the *Siecle* seizes on the occasion to inquire whose fault it is that his Holiness finds himself in such a situation:—"It is certain that if these embarrassments did not exist the Pope would feel paternal joy in sending larger sums to the Maronites. But whence come those embarrassments? Is it not to that the Holy See defends with puerile obstinacy a temporal power which is escaping from it, and which it cannot retain at any price. If then, instead of playing at soldiers, as the Roman Government does; instead of disbursing so many millions borrowed from good people who might have employed them better; instead of purchasing at great cost muskets, rifled cannon, gunpowder, and ball—things which have little connexion with Evangelical prescriptions; if, in lieu of this wasting precious resources, the Holy See would understand that Providence is evidently bringing back the Papacy to its primitive starting point—to Evangelical simplicity and humility; if the Papacy were spontaneously to abandon its temporal authority, which no human power can longer preserve to it—it is very evident that the Pope might immediately, with the sole resources of Peter's pence and the offerings of the faithful, increase ten and a hundred-fold the relief he sends to the Maronites. Charity would gain more, but the Holy See would gain their pursuit, more than from their homes; but English gentlemen who have both might as well spend a few weeks here as in Norway, and they are not likely to be disappointed. —*Canadian News.*

THE ROAD CHILD MURDER.

On Wednesday morning, Edmund John Gagg, a man who gave himself upat Wolverton, on Friday last, as the avowed murderer of the unfortunate child, Francis Saville Kent, and who, at Trowbridge, on Monday, denied all participation in the crime, was brought up at the Trowbridge police-station for further examination. The presiding magistrates were Messrs. H. G. G. Ludlow and W. Stancombe; Mr. Dunn, solicitor, of Frome, watched the proceedings on behalf of Mr. Kent, the father of the murdered child, who drove over from Road, and was present at the police-station, but did not make his appearance in the hall in which the proceedings took place. The court was far from crowded, the prevailing feeling among the spectators, who were principally factory operatives, being apparently one of extreme curiosity to see the prisoner. The inquiry occupied only a very short time, as the prisoner tendered no evidence in confirmation of the truth of his statement that he was at Portsmouth on the 29th of June, on the night of which day the murder was committed, and the police have not had time to make the necessary inquiries. The magistrates, therefore, resolved on a further remand for a week, and in the meantime steps will be taken for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the account given by the prisoner of himself. Captain Meredith (of constable of Wilts), the superintendents Foley and Wolfe, and other officers of the force, were engaged nearly the whole day on Tuesday in prosecuting an investigation at Road, the nature of which is, for prudential reasons, not permitted for the present to transpire; but the hope is entertained and expressed that some light will shortly be thrown on this hitherto impenetrable mystery.

The object which the prisoner had in view in practising this imposition, for such it undoubtedly is, remains inexplicable. It could hardly be a mere desire either for a few days' rest and food, or for a change of clothes at Trowbridge, while it is the opinion of those who have been about him that he is more of a rogue than a fool, however simple he may appear. That his "confession" was a mere diversion to throw the police off their scent appears scarcely probable, and assuredly has not been successful. How to deal with him when he has been proved innocent of the murder and guilty of the hoax is another consideration. It has been suggested that he be committed as a rogue and a vagabond without any visible means of subsistence, or that he be indicted for obtaining goods—his food—under false pretences, but neither of these methods is possible. The recommendation of Mr. Kent's solicitor is, that he be bound over in heavy sureties to appear when called on, which, as he cannot do, he could be committed to prison for a considerable time.

The foundation for one of the expectations of the police has been swept from under them. Mr. Kent having, when going to Trowbridge on the morning of the murder, told the turnpike keeper that "his boy had been carried away in a blanket," and the nurse having stated in evidence that "she did not know the blanket had been taken till she saw the dead body brought in wrapped in it," it was thought that this apparent discrepancy might be productive of results. It is now ascertained, however, on an authority which, even if it is disbelieved, cannot be controverted, that Mrs. Kent told her husband before he started that the blanket was missing, she having herself examined the clothes.

The statement that Elizabeth Gough, the nurse, had left Mr. Kent's, and that Sarah Cox, the housemaid, has given notice to leave in consequence of illness, we have ascertained to be destitute of foundation. The retention of the nurse, however, is for politic reasons; and Mr. Kent has throughout acted on the advice of his solicitor in this matter.

TROTMAN'S ANCHORS.

The following letter, with subjoined enclosure, has been addressed to the editor of the *Daily News*:—

Mr. Trotman presents his compliments to the editor, and would feel greatly obliged by the insertion of the enclosed copy of a letter addressed to his grace the Duke of Somerset. The publication of this letter is the only means which Mr. Trotman has of answering certain statements made in both houses of Parliament, upon a subject seriously affecting his interests, and, he believes, not without some bearing upon matters of national importance.

42, Cornhill, August 11.

[COPY.]

"My Lord Duke,—The position of your grace as a member of the House of Peers has afforded you an opportunity of making statements seriously affecting my character, and highly injurious to my interests. To these I have had no opportunity of giving a reply through any member of your lordship's house; while in the House of Commons no occasion has since been afforded by any discussion on the navy estimates to meet charges of a similar character made by the noble Secretary of the Admiralty. My only resource is by letter to your grace, in which, briefly as possible, I will answer assertions that could only originate in misrepresentations previously made to the speakers.

"In reply to a question put by the Earl of Hardwicke, 29th ult., with respect to Trotman's anchors, your grace is reported to have said that you had heard some of the merchant ships, provided with these anchors, went ashore in the memorable hurricane of the Black Sea, 14th November, 1854. Permit me to say not a single casualty occurred to any of the numerous steam transports belonging to Cunard, the Royal Mail, the Peninsular and Oriental Companies, &c., provided with Trotman's anchors. The same remark equally applies to the sailing ships similarly found, and in corroboration I beg to quote the unsolicited testimony of Captain Scott, of the frigate-built ship Dunbar, 1,324 tons, addressed to his owner, and handed to me by the chairman of the General Shipowners' Society for publication. He states:—'I have always found Trotman's anchor (39 cwt. per stock) to bite immediately it took the ground, it never fouls, and holds on to the last. Our safety depended upon it the 14th of November, and so satisfied was I of its holding power that the opposite cable was allowed to surge round the windlass with the lift of the ship. At the same time, her Majesty's steam frigate Retribution, 1,641 tons, with his Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge on board, had three navy anchors down, weighing 92 cwt., and steamed head to wind with her powerful 800-horse power engines to ease the strain; yet, in spite of steam and anchors she dragged more than half a mile in course of an hour, and as a last resort all her heavy gear was started overboard, including guns, shot, shell, &c. Now, these statements can be verified or as easily refuted by reference to the log of her Majesty's ship, and the personal testimony of his royal highness.

"Your grace further remarked that no officer of the navy would trust her Majesty's ships to these anchors. My reply is, they have never been permitted the opportunity of trying them except in one instance; and in that, not only the safety of one of her Majesty's ships, but the sacred person of her Majesty, has been entrusted to it. I allude, as you must be aware, to the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert, wholly dependent since 1854 upon the efficiency of my anchor being equal to every emergency. The royal and imperial yachts of all the crowned heads in Europe, and those of his Holiness the Pope, the Sultan of Turkey and Pacha of Egypt, are likewise supplied with Trotman's anchors.

"In the House of Commons, the Secretary of the Admiralty stated that I was deceiving the public on one point—viz., with respect to the price of my anchors.

"I am the inventor only, and not a maker of anchors; therefore, the published price lists of all the first anchormakers of the day are available to his lordship for information and my justification. When the noble secretary stated the cost of the anchor supplied to her Majesty's yacht, was £110 instead of £90, he was probably unaware that the difference arose from mere obstructiveness on the part of officials, and consequent demurrage of man and barge more than six weeks before it was landed at her Majesty's dockyard. The delivery of 40 anchors would have entitled no additional expense under the circumstances.

"His lordship also stated that the Admiralty would not be justified in ordering captains of ships to use a particular anchor. The concurrence of this is, no doubt quite unnecessary. Will your grace permit me to call your attention to the fact, that the Admiralty denied my anchor to the late Captain Sir William Peel, of her Majesty's frigate Diamond? By this refusal that gallant officer was of necessity obliged to take the established anchor of the navy, which just at that time an Admiralty committee of distinguished naval officers had unanimously condemned as wanting in all the essential qualities looked for in a good anchor. The noble lord further said that the officers of the fleet disapproved of Trotman's anchors. My answer to this is, in the words of the Admiralty itself to a return ordered by the House of Commons, 'No reports on Trotman's anchors have been received at the Admiralty.

"When the reference was made to Holyhead harbour and the terrific gale which in part destroyed the breakwater, and caused the loss of the Royal Charter, some invidious remarks were then addressed to the House on the subject of my anchors. It could not, however, be denied that a single Trotman's anchor of 7 tons 5 cwt., ex stock (not ex stock) to bite immediately it took the ground, it never fouls, and holds on to the last. Our safety depended upon it the 14th of November, and so satisfied was I of its holding power that the opposite cable was allowed to surge round the windlass with the lift of the ship. At the same time, her Majesty's steam frigate Retribution, 1,641 tons, with His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge on board, had three navy anchors down, weighing 92 cwt., and steamed head to wind with her powerful 800-horse power engines to ease the strain; yet, in spite of steam and anchors she dragged more than half a mile in course of an hour, and as a last resort all her heavy gear was started overboard, including guns, shot, shell, &c. Now, these statements can be verified or as easily refuted by reference to the log of her Majesty's ship, and the personal testimony of his royal highness.

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"Your grace further remarked that no officer of the navy would trust her Majesty's ships to these anchors. My reply is, they have never been permitted the opportunity of trying them except in *one instance*; and in that, not only the safety of one of her Majesty's ships, but the sacred person of her Majesty, has been entrusted to it. I allude, as you must be aware, to the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert, wholly dependent since 1854 upon the efficiency of my anchor being equal to every emergency. The royal and imperial yachts of all the crowned heads in Europe, and those of his Holiness the Pope, the Sultan of Turkey and Pacha of Egypt, are likewise supplied with Trotman's anchors.

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Foreign Intelligence.

FRANCE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL PARIS CORRESPONDENT.)

Paris, August 14, 1860.

The *Patrie* has a very severe article against the English papers, particularly the *Morning Herald*, for opposing the recognition of Spain as one of the Powers of Europe, and asserts that their only motive for excluding Europe, and asserts that their only motive for excluding Spain is that she sympathises with France, and concludes it with—"still the same fear of French influence! still the same feelings of rivalry and jealousy!"

Abdel Kader has written a letter to the Emperor, thanking him for the high distinction just conferred upon him, but states that what he did in Syria was only in payment of the debt he owed his Majesty, for having released him from prison in France eleven years ago. From Marseilles, we hear that the embarkation of troops for the Syrian expedition continues with great activity. The French papers insist upon the necessity of the French intervention in Syria, and attribute the energy now displayed by the Turkish authorities to fear of the near approach of the French army. They devote a great deal of space to drawing comparisons between themselves and the British Government, which are by no means flattering to the latter; and profess themselves much horrified at the apparent apathy with which they appear to treat the Syrian question in England. I wonder are they acquainted with the old adage of "Self-praise," &c.?—If not, 'twere well they learned it. A number of families who have escaped the massacres in Syria have arrived at Marseilles, and have taken up their residence there, as also at Messeday they attended a Greek mass for the dead, a funeral service, according to the rites of the Greek Church, for their brother martyrs. A subscription has been opened at Brussels for the relief of the suffering Christians. The *Patrie* of last night publishes a telegram to the effect that 1,500 Garibaldians had landed at Calabria, and another from the Neapolitan Government confirming the fact, but stating that the insurgents had been repulsed, and that only 200 effected a landing, and that they were pursued into the interior. I am sure you will be amused to hear the Empress has turned gardener—and an indefatigable one, too. Since she has been at "Eauxbonnes" her chief amusement and occupation has been planning and laying out an English garden, which she wishes to see completed before she leaves! I shall tell you that English gardens are quite the rage in France now, and all the Imperial gardens are laid out in English style.

On Friday, the Emperor's pavilion at the camp at Chalons took fire, close to the Prince Imperial's room, but the flames were quickly extinguished. On Saturday, the Archbishop of Rheims and the Bishop of Chalons arrived at the camp to visit the Emperor, and breakfasted with his Majesty and the Grand Duke of Baden. The King of Bavaria has left Berlin for Salzburg, where he is to meet the Emperor of Austria. Mons. Cucheval Clarigny has lately published a work on the naval and military budgets of France and England, the object of which is to show there are no grounds for the apprehensions lately manifested in England. In his preface the author says, that the work was not undertaken at the request of the Emperor's Minister of War; that it was not written with a view to discussion, but merely to determine, conscientiously and strictly, the state of the forces of France and England; and that his task is completed some time, when suddenly the unjust recriminations were heard on the other side of the Channel with the refutations of which the pages of his book are full. Morini, the young tenor, who performed with such success at the Italian opera here, last winter, has been engaged at Madrid, and is to appear under very brilliant auspices. Great anxiety prevails as to the result of the fete to-morrow; we have had several heavy showers today; if we have the same to-morrow evening, good-bye to fireworks and gay illuminations.

The following letter is dated, Paris August 15 :—

The alarming rumours about the attitude of Austria, referred to in my last three or four letters, are reproduced to-day with an appearance of authority. The *Pays* notices, as "latest news," the existence of a report that Count de Rechberg has addressed a despatch to Turin, stating that the Austrian Government would feel itself compelled to send an armed force to succour the King of Naples, and to obtain the Pope's permission for this force to march through the Papal States, in case Garibaldi should land on the Neapolitan coast. It adds, that "this determination of the Austrian Government is supposed to be connected with promises obtained from the confederated German states." The *Patrie* somewhat varies the story, and only expresses its belief that "if" Garibaldi shall obtain possession of the kingdom of Naples, and shall there organise a force to do, as he has done, in Sicily, against the Austrian possessions in the Adriatic, then, and in that case, Austria has declared that she will not wait to be attacked, but will go forward to meet the Garibaldian troops in whatever part of the peninsula they may be found. I am disposed to think, however, that the French Government journals exaggerate the designs of Austria in Italy, and the degree of support which she is warranted in expecting from Prussia and other German States, with a view of operating upon public opinion in England, and of working upon the well-known sympathies of that country for the Italian cause to beget distrust of Prussia, and to tempt the English Government to commit itself to the policy of France in such a manner as to render retreat therefrom difficult or impossible. What says the *Pays* in a leading article this very evening?—"We cannot apprehend from the state of affairs in Italy anything so considerable as a disturbance of the peace of Europe. Nothing is easier than to draw up plans, but the execution of them is something very different. So long as an accord subsists between France and England, and we hope it may long endure, the incidents of the Italian question will remain, unless we are greatly mistaken, confined within the impenetrable fence of 'non-intervention.'"—In precisely the same spirit the *Opinione Nationale* says:—"The attitude of the Emperor Francis Joseph should have the result of drawing closer the bonds of Anglo-French alliance. The language of Western Powers have sanctioned the principle of non-intervention. Both at London and Paris the independence of the peninsula is desired, and the divergency bears only upon secondary points. The time seems therefore to have arrived for forgetting all the excitement of a dangerous rivalry, and coming to an irresistible agreement for the settlement both of the affairs of Italy and those of the East. These two questions are now connected; for England, if she were to take a different line from us, might perhaps impose upon us the necessity of seeking the Russian alliance, whereas the interests of the two countries, rightly understood, should draw up together in 1860 as they did in 1853. We hope this will be understood and felt on the other side of the Channel."

From the best information I can collect, I think it may be safely said that Austrian intervention in Italy is not by any means so imminent as the paragraph in the *Pays* would infer. It is doubtful whether any official note of Count Rechberg exists, though it is more than probable that communications of a confidential nature have been made to the Cabinet of Turin, which are to a certain extent threatening. It is inferred from a Naples telegram, that something must have occurred to inspire the King and the reactionary party with confidence, since three newspapers have been suppressed, and there is a talk of adjourning the elections. If the latter news should be true, it amounts to a practical abolition of the constitution. It may with more reason be construed as a sign of weakness than of conscious strength. It being known to a certainty that the electors would return a chamber whose first act would be to declare for Victor Emanuel, the King probably hopes to postpone his fate by this dilatory measure. But Garibaldi will assuredly construe it as not merely a delay, but a denial of the people's rights, and will not long postpone his invasion. The absurd statement of the *Patrie* last night, that a Piedmontese army was to be sent to Naples to keep out Garibaldi is altogether discredited.

The Bourse was a little better than yesterday. The Rentes rose 15c. for cash and 10c. for account, closing at 68fr. 5c. and 68fr. The Chemin de fer rose 2fr. 50c. There was scarcely any change in railways.

The extraordinary rains—more like those of the tropics than anything commonly seen in these latitudes—have put a stop to the grand manœuvres at the Chalons camp, and the Emperor is coming to St. Cloud to-morrow, which is sooner by some days than was expected. He will consequently be in the neighbourhood of Paris on his fete day.

M. Plocque, who has enjoyed the distinguished honour of being *batonnier* of the order of advocates during two successive years, resigned his *bâton* yesterday into the hands of his successor, M. Jules Favre, to whom, in a farewell speech, he paid a very high compliment, which was hailed with tremendous applause by a crowded meeting of the bar.

Another correspondent, writing under date Paris, August 13, observes :—

From some of my recent letters you will have observed how numerous are the reports and statements current here with reference to Italian affairs, many of which are improbable, not to say extravagant, some of them appear. The *Patrie* of yesterday's date announced, on the strength of letters from Turin, an approaching occupation of the kingdom of Naples by a Piedmontese *corps d'armee*, as the result of an arrangement that had been come to between the Sardinian Government and that of the King of Naples, and with a view to avoid the inconveniences of an occupation by Garibaldi. We live in times of unforeseen and surprising events, when one should be slow to reject the improbable, but it would require an unusual stock of credulity to believe in such an agreement as the above. I can assure you that none such has been come to, and that there is no likelihood of its coming to pass. The only circumstances under which Sardinia might be called upon to send troops to Naples would be if a revolution triumphed there (which it might possibly do without the aid of Garibaldi), and if, the king having fled, the revolutionary Government applied at Turin for aid to maintain order. In that case I believe that the request would be complied with and troops would be sent.

The note which some of the Paris papers have spoken of as having been addressed by Count Rechberg to the Government of Victor Emmanuel does not exist, or at any rate has not been received. I yesterday mentioned the belief I yesterday expressed, that a circular might be in readiness, to be prepared, or preparing, in which Austria will announce her intention of anticipating Garibaldi's avowed designs against Venetia by assuming the offensive in the case of his succeeding in upsetting the present Government of Naples, and of putting himself in its place. That the Vienna Cabinet would act unwisely by adopting such a course will assuredly be the opinion of all who remember the events of the first few months of 1859, and who understand the true situation of Austria and of Italy at the present time.

I have been positively assured that ten rifled cannon, missing from the French arsenals, are, or will soon be, in the possession of Garibaldi. I cannot vouch for the fact on my own knowledge, but I received the information from a very competent authority. General Turr's visit to Paris is said to have been connected with this transfer. What I believe to be quite certain is, that Signor San Cataldo, Garibaldi's envoy to the French Government, solicited permission to have rifled cannon for the Sicilian army cast in the French foundries. I cannot say what was the answer to this request, but it may, perhaps, be taken in connexion with the southward journey of ten pieces of ordnance above mentioned. General Turr, during his stay in Paris, is said to have had an interview with the Emperor. This is not improbable, for it is well known that his Majesty takes pleasure in receiving the distinguished foreign emigrants who visit his capital, and that Italians, Hungarians, and Poles answering to that description have not unfrequently had audience of him. Doubtless, his own experience of exile has implanted in his breast a feeling of sympathy with such persons, and, therefore, his friendly and frequent reception of them should not awaken the suspicions of these Powers to whom they are known to be hostile. We may presume it to be a question of sentiment, not of policy. As regards General Turr, however, I can assure you that, whether he did or did not see the Emperor, he frequently saw Prince Napoleon. You are probably aware that the Hungarians, if they see a prospect of its bringing succour to their cause, are quite disposed to offer the crown of Hungary to the Emperor's cousin. His Imperial Highness should not overrate the compliment implied by this disposition. The Hungarians are much in the same frame of mind that the Lombards were in for some time before the war in Italy. To get rid of their then rulers they would have accepted the government of Mahomet, Grand Turk, or of the great enemy of mankind himself. Of course they would have cherished an *arrière pensée* of not for ever remaining under the sway of so undesirable a sovereign as either of these two, but they thought that any change would be progress and an advantage.

ITALY.

A correspondent, writing from Naples, August 11, says :—

The work of constituting the Chambers progresses, and unless the operations of Garibaldi are successful, Parliament will meet. But those operations are being pushed forward, and are encouraged under the very nose of the Government. The latest proclamation of the Dictator has arrived, and is as follows :—

"TO THE PEOPLES OF THE CONTINENT.

"The opposition of the foreigner, interested in our abasement, and internal factions, have prevented Italy from constituting herself a country. Now, however, it appears that Providence has put an end to so many misfortunes. The exemplary unanimity of all the provinces, and victory smiling everywhere on the arms of the sons of liberty, are a proof that the sufferings of this land of genius are drawing near to their termination.

"Yet another step remains; and that step I do not fear. If the slight means which have conducted a handful of valiant men to these straits are compared with the enormous means at our disposal at present, years ago will be seen that the Italian [illegible] two ships, in four hours, take 20,000 ; and he has steamers besides. At the entrance to the straits he has a battery, fortified with 14 heavy guns, to prevent the approach of any of the Neapolitan frigates, or, in case of need, to cover his landing on the other side. Once landed, from our experience here, one may venture to predict he will soon reach Naples, and enter it too. Some here were afraid that La Gressa's mission might end in France or England staying Garibaldi's further progress. It was a general relief last week when we learned that he had been no more successful in enlisting foreign interference in the cause of Naples than his predecessor, De Martino. The sage remark in a *Times* leader, six weeks ago, that true diplomacy in present matters was not to diplomatise is still applicable, and let us hope such will continue to be the policy of England and France, to allow diplomacy to have its centre in Garibaldi.

An English merchant steamer arrived on Sunday from Naples, bringing 70 passengers and merchandise. This is a new feature in trading with our steamers, as under the Neapolitan Government such was strictly confined to her own flag. Some months ago, when returning from Messina, the regular coasting steamer was then laid up for eight days. To get advantage of an English steamer, I reached Palermo enrolled as fourth engineer.

In Naples they are rejoicing in their constitutional liberties, and are in expectation of Garibaldi coming among them. They have no confidence in the King's reforms, and every thing was arranged for opposing the invasion. In fact, the attempt to take possession of the position of Altafiumara was repulsed by the royal troops, as were also several other partial landings at Cannetello. About 300 who succeeded in landing and penetrating into the interior are pursued by the royal troops with great energy."

The Agamemnon has just come in from Castellamare, where she will be replaced by the Renown.

P.S.—A telegraphic despatch is said to have arrived this morning with the intelligence that 1,000 men have landed in the Calabrias at various points. The Bourse is much agitated, and a council of state is at this moment sitting. It is said that the National Guard will be all called out as soon as the enemy approaches, and whilst the military will leave to meet it the capital will be put under the protection of the National Guard.

NEWS FROM SICILY.

A correspondent of the *Glasgow Herald*, writing from Palermo, August 7, says :—

The telegraph will long ago have announced that Syracuse and Agosto have been evacuated, the soldiers retiring to the Calabrias.

The Royal troops in the Castle of Messina have all been withdrawn, with the exception of a garrison of 1,500 men, and concentrated on the other side of the straits. Francis may be said to have yielded the struggle as regards Sicily; by holding the fort of Messina he has merely the one foot on it, but nothing is a-wanting in his present preparations and constitutional policies to secure for himself the Kingdom of Naples. He seems promonished that ere long Garibaldi will enter his remaining territory. It is understood the number of our troops already on that corner of this island is above 20,000 men. They are still being despatched from Palermo as regularly as the means of transport will allow. For instance, yesterday, three steamers left, carrying 1,300 men ; one of them towing a Sicilian brig laden with provisions, biscuit, wine, clothing, &c., all of which came from Genoa. These transports are discharged about seven miles from Messina, out of harm's way from the citadel. From that point, or even the other side of Messina, more to the east, the channel across to Calabria is narrow, and with the means of transport which Garibaldi has, 30,000 men could be carried across in one night. Why, even the 500 or more fishing boats which he has in conformity as far as possible with those which the kingdom of Victor Emmanuel enjoys, shall be published in the island in accord with the principles of liberty ; and then the new institutions will efface the vestiges of the fatal domination which has afflicted us for 500 years. Sicilians are content with their present lot, which is hardly more than a change of dynasty. What is taking place in Italy. At Jean, in Andalusia, there had been some disturbances, arising out of the refusal of a large body of labourers employed at public works to submit to some municipal regulation, and force had to be employed to establish order. It is not stated, however, that any blood was shed. The circulation of the *Nord*, of Brussels, in Spain, had been prohibited by Royal command, in consequence of its having published letters from Madrid, which the Government considered offensive. Several regiments had been ordered to proceed to Corunna, to occupy the camp which is being formed there. The *Correspondancia* affirms, on authority, that there is no truth in a statement of some of the journals, that the Minister of War had absorbed the whole of the subscription to the Pope's loan. The Academy of Belles-Lettres and Arts of Cordova has, like that of Cadiz, elected M. Damas-Hinard, private secretary to the Empress of the French, one of its members; and the Cross of Commander of the Order of Charles III. has also been conferred on him. These honours have been accorded in consideration of M. Damas-Hinards works on Spanish literature. The municipality of Granada has resolved to offer a sword of honour to the Duke de Tetuan.

SWITZERLAND.

A letter from Berne of the 10th says :—

Our envoy at Paris, Dr. Kern, is hourly expected at Berne. I have some reasons to think that his return is partly owing to what I recently announced to you, on expecting a change favourable to Swiss interests, which seems likely to take place in the Savoy affair. Touching that question, almost entirely forgotten, amid the exciting intelligence from Italy and the East, a despatch from the Swedish Minister of Foreign Affairs, dated the 11th ult., after acknowledging the reception of the Federal Council's note of June 18, adds, that the Swedish Government, in answer to overtures from the French Cabinet, had declared that Sweden was ready to take part in the conference proposed to meet at Paris. The friendly feelings of the King of Sweden towards the Swiss Confederation are a sufficient guarantee that, if need be, he will not fail to support the rights of Switzerland.

IMAGE-WORSHIP AT ROME.

We willingly add currency to the subjoined *morceau*, which a Roman Catholic contemporary boasts to have been "favoured with from an influential and trustworthy source :"—

"ROME, AUGUST 6TH.—At no period do I recollect so striking a display of the religious fervour which pervades the great mass of the Roman population as I saw within the last few days. The well-known image of the Blessed Virgin, which from time immemorial has hung in the Borghese Chapel, at St. Mary Major's, had been carried in procession to the Church of the Jesu, and there exposed for three weeks to the veneration of the faithful. During this period of twenty-two days, from 4 o'clock in the morning, when the church doors are thrown open, until nightfall, never did the continuous tide of the faithful appear to slacken. The Holy Father, on one occasion, administered the Holy Communion indiscriminately to all those who presented themselves. Every other day cardinals officiated. The number of communicants during the twenty-two days was literally speaking innumerable, regard as an answer to the imputation of irreligion against the Roman population, and, at this moment, is a significant as well as highly-conclusory fact. I saw the procession of the clergy and people on the two occasions, both when leaving St. Mary Major's with this portentous image of the Blessed Virgin, and on this occasion of its being brought back again, and could not help feeling that it was a striking testimony of the deep-seated devotion of the Roman people to the Mother of the Incarnate God. Believe me, the ideas which exist amongst your nation of Protestantising us are vain and childish."

THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT IN SYRIA.

Lord Wodehouse's statements in the Lords last night, in reply to Lord Stratford de Redcliffe, respecting the mission the purpose for which Admiral Martin has been sent with a strong squadron to the coast of Syria, receive a practical commentary, as regards the wholesome effect of the actual appearance of that squadron at Beyrout, in a letter addressed from that place to a morning contemporary, bearing date the 29th ult. Even before Admiral Martin's arrival, it appears that Fuad Pasha had sent Achmet Pasha, late Governor of Damascus, to Constantinople under arrest. But his further measures seem to have been amazingly stimulated by Admiral Martin's arrival ; and, if our contemporary's correspondent is to be credited, the subsequent arrests or dismissals of "the whole clique of fanatical Turkish officials who have schemed and plotted the gigantic work of blood in Syria" were entirely the results of the interview of Fuad Pasha with Admiral Martin.

We do not of course endorse the averments of the writer of the letter above cited as to the deliberate planning of the recent massacres by the local Turkish authorities, supported (as he elsewhere affirms Khorshaed Pasha to have himself stated) by orders from Constantinople. But from the whole conduct of the local functionaries, as reported in the papers laid before Parliament, it would seem that they showed no disposition whatever to interpose in the earlier stage of the disturbances, when the conflagration, which has since spread so widely, might have been stamped out, before it gained head. Whether a real or simulated respect for the religious immunities of the tribes of the Lebanon, which the Turkish Government has treated rigorously all illegitimate interference with state affairs, to prevent preparations for attack against neighbouring Governments, and to punish all attempts to excite the Royal soldiers to desert. Orders have been given, at the same time, to hasten the completion of the fortifications at Beyrout, and the reinforcements of troops which, as we have already stated, have been despatched from Constantinople to that port, and yet, let him go on shore, the one thought is the grog shop.

This new police force has been most effective in checking or putting an entire stop to smuggling. The import duties on manufactures were on such a high scale—thus fostering the system—that the Government was deprived of half its revenue by contraband. A force formed a wide chain here—Custom House officials being privy to it, and reaping their share of benefit. The system was all easily conducted one. But robbing the Neapolitan Government produced no qualms of conscience. One slept over it quite as calmly as a schoolboy does over a white lie, when opposed to a black one.

Now it is different; smuggling interferes with the revenue of our own nation, and the authorities step in when conscience itself does not check it, and several of the respectable shopkeepers have been imprisoned for resuming it under this Government. I hope the authorities in office will themselves act strictly on this principle. I hear of a good deal of jobbery going on among that circle, who seem unscrupulous in assisting themselves with what they conveniently can of the public money. It would be better for the nation were those in office more endowed with sterling honour and unflinching principle!

The head of the arsenal, in the plenitude of his wisdom, and contrary to Garibaldi's orders, has dismissed captains and engineers of the English steamers brought in account of the Government. This antipathy to the English in the country is nearly the cause of the City of Aberdeen going to the bottom last week. She started on a voyage to Messina, and her new engineers managed to get some feet of water in her, which was only remedied by calling to her aid the English captain and engineers, who had but just been paid off.

On the back of a broadsheet of extraordinary appeared, treating of annexation to Sardinia, and publishing the State of that kingdom, drawn up under Carlo Alberto in 1848. With this important step advancing annexation, the city was partly illuminated. The weather continues quite Italian—warm, of course. This month we have the sun in its lion strength, as the phrase *il mese* denotes.

It is worthy of remark, that since Garibaldi set foot in Sicily, we have only had rain three times. The first time was a few nights ere he entered this city; and, exposed to it on the mountains, they all felt it severely.

I may mention an incident regarding the General after he got into Melazzo two weeks ago. A well-to-do priest wished to do honour to the chief. He got a bed in town, and a supper prepared, and went out to invite him within doors. Garibaldi was then on the ground, with his head on a saddle. He sat up and thanked the priest very cordially, but said he could not accept of his kindness, with all his men no better off than he then was. He then offered to carry out a mattress and bring him the warm supper. Garibaldi was immovable, and by this sacrifice he taught the golden lesson—example is better than precept.

When the army, including members of some of the first families in Palermo, saw this, they contented themselves with rice and biscuit for supper, and with the ground for their bed.

Numerous arrivals of Italians still take place. In the official journal of last evening a long and thrilling appeal to the people of Sicily appears from the Dictator, dated Messina. He calls upon them to assist him in enlisting the youths of the country into his service. He says—"Women, send here your sons—your lovers. With me, the contest shall be tedious, doubtful, and full of perils for all. With many, by numbers alone we shall crush the foe. There shall be no fighting ; we will quickly have realised the hopes of twenty generations of Italians ; and I will again present to you the dear ones, with faces browned on the battle field, and foreheads crowned with the laurel of victory."

An extraordinary supplement of the official journal of Sicily of the 5th promulgates the Sardinian Constitution "for the inhabitants of the country, and contains the following proclamation of the pro-Dictator :—

"Sicilians !—The illustrious soldier, the honour of Italy, whom you have greeted as your liberator, desires to join the splendour of civil reforms to the glory of arms. The constitution of the Italian kingdom, the inviolable and inviolate compact which unites Italy and Victor Emmanuel, has to be proclaimed in Sicily. Other laws will follow that great act. The welfare of the common country requires that one regulation, in conformity as far as possible with those which the kingdom of Victor Emmanuel enjoys, shall be published in the island in accord with the principles of liberty ; and then the new institutions will efface the vestiges of the fatal domination which has afflicted us for 500 years. Sicilians, your hopes are accomplished a glorious revolution, and now you must unite in concorder and security, as becomes a free people, and resolve to aid efficaciously, and with all their power, the great work of national unity. To promote this object, let all good citizens assist the Government and unite their forces, and let there be no other rivalry than that of abnegation and patriotism.—Palermo, 4th August.

"DEPRETIS, pro-Dictator.

"F. CRISPI, Secretary of State."

The proclamation is preceded by the following decree :—

"ITALY AND VICTOR EMMANUEL.

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"Decrees : Art. 1. The constitutional statute of the 4th March, 1848, in vigour in the kingdom of Italy, is the fundamental law of Sicily. Art. 2. It shall come into force in its different parts at the epoch which may be designated dictatorial decree. Art. 3. The said statute shall be published, together with the present decree, in all communes, and in the *Official Journal of Sicily*. Art. 4. All the Secretaries of State are charged with the execution of the present decree.—Palermo, 3d August, 1860. "DEPRETIS, Pro-Dictator.

("Countersigned by all the Ministers.")

The text of the Constitution of Charles Albert follows the above decree. By a coincidence which it is difficult to suppose produced by chance, the day on which the constitution was promulgated at Palermo, the *Iride* of Naples printed it at length, with the following note :—

"We propose to gratify our readers as quickly as possible by the publication of the most important laws of that fortunate Italian country, which, having been the place of refuge and of union of the flower of the nation, has made such great progress in the path of liberty and of political and civil institutions."

The Sicilian Ministry has been once again modified. The department of the Public Safety and the Secretaryship of State to the Dictator are suppressed ; M. Crispi has been appointed Minister of the Interior and of Public Safety ; M. Interdonato takes the department of Public Works and Public Instruction, and M. Amari that of Foreign Affairs. M. La Loggia and M. San Giorgio cease to be ministers, and the former has been nominated inspector-general of the sanitary establishments of the inland—the latter, Judge of the High Civil Court of Palermo.

AUSTRIA AND PIEDMONT.

The *Indépendance Belge* of Tuesday says :—

"News of a very sombre character has reached us to-day from Paris, relative to the probability of an early war between Austria and Piedmont. The Austrian Minister of Foreign Affairs—and this explains all the rumours of the last few days—has addressed a note to M. Cavour, in which he recapitulates the events which have occurred in Southern Italy since the spring, in order to establish the complicity of the Sardinian Government with Garibaldi. M. de Rechberg concludes by declaring, in the most formal manner, that if Garibaldi or his followers make a demonstration upon the continental possessions of the Neapolitan monarchy, Austria will consider that act as a *casus belli* furnished by Piedmont. Concurrent with this menacing demonstration of Austria are various acts of the Cabinet of Turin which have their importance. There is, in the first place, a circular from the Minister of the Interior, dated the 16th, recommending governors of provinces and lieutenants-general to treat rigorously all illegitimate interference by state affairs, to prevent preparations for attack against neighbouring Governments, and to punish all attempts to excite the Royal soldiers to desert. Orders have been given, at the same time, to hasten the completion of the fortifications at Bologna, Austria having declared, it is said, in the note of M. de Rechberg, that if she was obliged to march to the succour of the Neapolitan monarchy she would pass through the Papal States; that is to say, that she would cross without hesitation the Romagna."

The *Débats* of yesterday, in commenting on the above serious intelligence, observes that the armed intervention of Austria would be an infringement of the principle of non-intervention adopted by France and England—

"Austria ought to know," says the *Débats*, "that the two Western Powers, in proclaiming this principle, are equally agreed to ensure its application in the largest and most absolute sense, since they have reciprocally engaged, not only to abstain from interference themselves, but also to suffer no foreign interference. This important point the words of the Emperor Napoleon, in his letter to M. de Persigny, are too recent to be forgotten, and too formal to leave any room for equivocation. 'To sum up,' said the Emperor, 'this is my innermost thought ; I desire that Italy should obtain peace, no matter how, but without foreign intervention, and that my troops should be able to quit Rome without compromising the security of the Pope.'"

We find also an important statement in a Turin journal, the *Nationalites* :—

"Our Government (it says) is at this moment pushing on the most extraordinary armaments to protect the country against the possible aggressions of a neighbouring power, which become more menacing every day. This power has, within the last few days, addressed an important note our Government, the contents of which will xery soon be made public."

SPAIN.

The following is a brief *resumé* of the political contents of the Spanish journals of the 12th instant:—

The *Espana*, a Conservative journal, has an article moderately written, which insists that Spain, from the interest she has in the maintenance of the Papacy and the Bourbon throne at Naples, ought not to remain an indifferent spectator of what is taking place in Italy. At Jean, in Andalusia, there had been some disturbances, arising out of the refusal of a large body of labourers employed at public works to submit to some municipal regulation, and force had to be employed to establish order. It is not stated, however, that any blood was shed. The circulation of the *Nord*, of Brussels, in Spain, had been prohibited by Royal command, in consequence of its having published letters from Madrid, which the Government considered offensive. Several regiments had been ordered to proceed to Corunna, to occupy the camp which is being formed there. The *Correspondancia* affirms, on authority, that there is no truth in a statement of some of the journals, that the Minister of War had absorbed the whole of the subscription to the Pope's loan. The Academy of Belles-Lettres and Arts of Cordova has, like that of Cadiz, elected M. Damas-Hinard, private secretary to the Empress of the French, one of its members; and the Cross of Commander of the Order of Charles III. has also been conferred on him. These honours have been accorded in consideration of M. Damas-Hinards works on Spanish literature. The municipality of Granada has resolved to offer a sword of honour to the Duke de Tetuan.

SWITZERLAND.

A letter from Berne of the 10th says :—

Our envoy at Paris, Dr. Kern, is hourly expected at Berne. I have some reasons to think that his return is partly owing to what I recently announced to you, on expecting a change favourable to Swiss interests, which seems likely to take place in the Savoy affair. Touching that question, almost entirely forgotten, amid the exciting intelligence from Italy and the East, a despatch from the Swedish Minister of Foreign Affairs, dated the 11th ult., after acknowledging the reception of the Federal Council's note of June 18, adds, that the Swedish Government, in answer to overtures from the French Cabinet, had declared that Sweden was ready to take part in the conference proposed to meet at Paris. The friendly feelings of the King of Sweden towards the Swiss Confederation are a sufficient guarantee that, if need be, he will not fail to support the rights of Switzerland.

IMAGE-WORSHIP AT ROME.

We willingly add currency to the subjoined *morceau*, which a Roman Catholic contemporary boasts to have been "favoured with from an influential and trustworthy source :"—

"ROME, AUGUST 6TH.—At no period do I recollect so striking a display of the religious fervour which pervades the great mass of the Roman population as I saw within the last few days. The well-known image of the Blessed Virgin, which from time immemorial has hung in the Borghese Chapel, at St. Mary Major's, had been carried in procession to the Church of the Jesu, and there exposed for three weeks to the veneration of the faithful. During this period of twenty-two days, from 4 o'clock in the morning, when the church doors are thrown open, until nightfall, never did the continuous tide of the faithful appear to slacken. The Holy Father, on one occasion, administered the Holy Communion indiscriminately to all those who presented themselves. Every other day cardinals officiated. The number of communicants during the twenty-two days was literally speaking innumerable, regard as an answer to the imputation of irreligion against the Roman population, and, at this moment, is a significant as well as highly-conclusory fact. I saw the procession of the clergy and people on the two occasions, both when leaving St. Mary Major's with this portentous image of the Blessed Virgin, and on this occasion of its being brought back again, and could not help feeling that it was a striking testimony of the deep-seated devotion of the Roman people to the Mother of the Incarnate God. Believe me, the ideas which exist amongst your nation of Protestantising us are vain and childish."

THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT IN SYRIA.

Lord Wodehouse's statements in the Lords last night, in reply to Lord Stratford de Redcliffe, respecting the mission the purpose for which Admiral Martin has been sent with a strong squadron to the coast of Syria, receive a practical commentary, as regards the wholesome effect of the actual appearance of that squadron at Beyrout, in a letter addressed from that place to a morning contemporary, bearing date the 29th ult. Even before Admiral Martin's arrival, it appears that Fuad Pasha had sent Achmet Pasha, late Governor of Damascus, to Constantinople under arrest. But his further measures seem to have been amazingly stimulated by Admiral Martin's arrival ; and, if our contemporary's correspondent is to be credited, the subsequent arrests or dismissals of "the whole clique of fanatical Turkish officials who have schemed and plotted the gigantic work of blood in Syria" were entirely the results of the interview of Fuad Pasha with Admiral Martin.

We do not of course endorse the averments of the writer of the letter above cited as to the deliberate planning of the recent massacres by the local Turkish authorities, supported (as he elsewhere affirms Khorshaed Pasha to have himself stated) by orders from Constantinople. But from the whole conduct of the local functionaries, as reported in the papers laid before Parliament, it would seem that they showed no disposition whatever to interpose in the earlier stage of the disturbances, when the conflagration, which has since spread so widely, might have been stamped out, before it gained head. Whether a real or simulated respect for the religious immunities of the tribes of the Lebanon, which the Turkish Government has treated rigorously all illegitimate interference by state affairs, to prevent preparations for attack against neighbouring Governments, and to punish all attempts to excite the Royal soldiers to desert. Orders have been given, at the same time, to hasten the completion of the fortifications at Beyrout, and the reinforcements of troops which, as we have already stated, have been despatched from Constantinople to that port, and yet, let him go on shore, the one thought is the grog shop.

This new police force has been most effective in checking or putting an entire stop to smuggling. The import duties on manufactures were on such a high scale—thus fostering the system—that the Government was deprived of half its revenue by contraband. A force formed a wide chain here—Custom House officials being privy to it, and reaping their share of benefit. The system was all easily conducted one. But robbing the Neapolitan Government produced no qualms of conscience. One slept over it quite as calmly as a schoolboy does over a white lie, when opposed to a black one.

Now it is different; smuggling interferes with the revenue of our own nation, and the authorities step in when conscience itself does not check it, and several of the respectable shopkeepers have been imprisoned for resuming it under this Government. I hope the authorities in office will themselves act strictly on this principle. I hear of a good deal of jobbery going on among that circle, who seem unscrupulous in assisting themselves with what they conveniently can of the public money. It would be better for the nation were those in office more endowed with sterling honour and unflinching principle!

The head of the arsenal, in the plenitude of his wisdom, and contrary to Garibaldi's orders, has dismissed captains and engineers of the English steamers brought in account of the Government. This antipathy to the English in the country is nearly the cause of the City of Aberdeen going to the bottom last week. She started on a voyage to Messina, and her new engineers managed to get some feet of water in her, which was only remedied by calling to her aid the English captain and engineers, who had but just been paid off.

On the back of a broadsheet of extraordinary appeared, treating of annexation to Sardinia, and publishing the State of that kingdom, drawn up under Carlo Alberto in 1848. With this important step advancing annexation, the city was partly illuminated. The weather continues quite Italian—warm, of course. This month we have the sun in its lion strength, as the phrase *il mese* denotes.

It is worthy of remark, that since Garibaldi set foot in Sicily, we have only had rain three times. The first time was a few nights ere he entered this city; and, exposed to it on the mountains, they all felt it severely.

I may mention an incident regarding the General after he got into Melazzo two weeks ago. A well-to-do priest wished to do honour to the chief. He got a bed in town, and a supper prepared, and went out to invite him within doors. Garibaldi was then on the ground, with his head on a saddle. He sat up and thanked the priest very cordially, but said he could not accept of his kindness, with all his men no better off than he then was. He then offered to carry out a mattress and bring him the warm supper. Garibaldi was immovable, and by this sacrifice he taught the golden lesson—example is better than precept.

When the army, including members of some of the first families in Palermo, saw this, they contented themselves with rice and biscuit for supper, and with the ground for their bed.

Numerous arrivals of Italians still take place. In the official journal of last evening a long and thrilling appeal to the people of Sicily appears from the Dictator, dated Messina. He calls upon them to assist him in enlisting the youths of the country into his service. He says—"Women, send here your sons—your lovers. With me, the contest shall be tedious, doubtful, and full of perils for all. With many, by numbers alone we shall crush the foe. There shall be no fighting ; we will quickly have realised the hopes of twenty generations of Italians ; and I will again present to you the dear ones, with faces browned on the battle field, and foreheads crowned with the laurel of victory."

An extraordinary supplement of the official journal of Sicily of the 5th promulgates the Sardinian Constitution "for the inhabitants of the country, and contains the following proclamation of the pro-Dictator :—

"Sicilians !—The illustrious soldier, the honour of Italy, whom you have greeted as your liberator, desires to join the splendour of civil reforms to the glory of arms. The constitution of the Italian kingdom, the inviolable and inviolate compact which unites Italy and Victor Emmanuel, has to be proclaimed in Sicily. Other laws will follow that great act. The welfare of the common country requires that one regulation, in conformity as far as possible with those which the kingdom of Victor Emmanuel enjoys, shall be published in the island in accord with the principles of liberty ; and then the new institutions will efface the vestiges of the fatal domination which has afflicted us for 500 years. Sicilians, your hopes are accomplished a glorious revolution, and now you must unite in concorder and security, as becomes a free people, and resolve to aid efficaciously, and with all their power, the great work of national unity. To promote this object, let all good citizens assist the Government and unite their forces, and let there be no other rivalry than that of abnegation and patriotism.—Palermo, 4th August.

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